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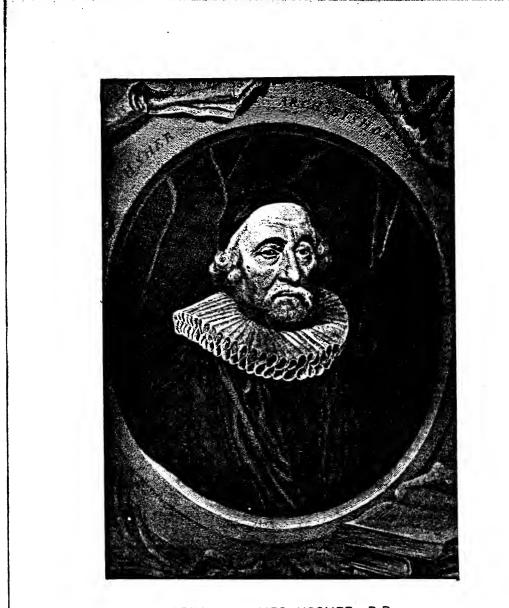
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### PREFACE.

In sending forth another genealogical work, I must request the indulgence of my readers with respect to such faults and errors as may be found. My approaching departure to a distant country and the preparations necessary for it, together with the labours and constant journeyings in connection with my official duties, have rendered it a most difficult task to carry out to completion without thorough leisure, a work requiring such minute accuracy and constant reference. In any case I have made the way clear for further investigation. The subject of the book is one which must be interesting to many besides those connected by blood with Ireland's greatest Scholar, and there is a large amount of information as to the early History of Dublin and of Trinity College. The plan adopted has been to commence each chapter with a short pedigree of that branch of the Usshers treated of therein, which is followed by an expansion of the same in narrative form. The Appendix contains many documents printed for the first time, such as extracts from Parish Registers, Freemen's Rolls, the Funeral Entries, etc.; there is also a Tabular Pedigree on the basis of Sir Wm. Betham's in Elrington's Life of Primate Ussher, but greatly enlarged. An alphabetical index of Usshers and some others mentioned in the work is added.

I have to return my hearty thanks to all those members of the Ussher family who have helped me either by giving information or subscribing, especially Richard J. Ussher, Esq., of Cappagh House, Co. Waterford, who has lent me many interesting documents and worked up the history of his own branch thoroughly for me; also Major-General John T. Ussher, and Dr. Isaac W. Usher of Dundrum, who have taken the greatest trouble in ascertaining all they possibly could about their own and other branches I also thank all those who have kindly subscribed towards the publication of these Memoirs.

#### PREFACE.

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I am indebted to R. Day, Esq., F.S.A., for the loan of the "super libros" of Primate Jas. Ussher, of which an exact *fac-simile* is given on the cover.

I regret that I was unsuccessful in the application which I made for permission to copy the Ussher letters in the Ormonde Collection at Kilkenny Castle.

WILLIAM BALL WRIGHT.

DUBLIN, New Year's Day, 1889.

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## HISTORICAL INTRODUCTION.

As many of those who are readers of this work may not have the patience to go through the details, or to pick out the interesting facts lying imbedded in a mass of dry pedigree, the writer purposes here to give a short sketch of the Ussher family, which was distinguished, not merely because from its bosom sprang the extraordinary man, who towered so high in mental endowments and varied learning above his fellows, but also because there were not a few of the name besides, who were distinguished in other ways.

The first of the name who was undoubtedly an ancestor of the present widespread branches of the Irish Usshers, was Arlantor or Arland Uscher or Ussher, who appears to have been settled in Dublin as a leading merchant in and before 1439, was bailiff of that City in 1461, Mayor in 1469, and died in 1479. A tradition as old as Archbishop James Ussher's time states that Arland Uscher was descended from a John Nevil of the Northern Nevils, who accompanied Prince John in 1185 to Ireland as Usher of the Court, and adopted the surname of Usher or Ussher from his office ; but this tradition is not corroborated by contemporary evidence.

It is curious certainly that from 1185 to 1439, there should have been no knightly or landed family of the name in Ireland, as known to either public or private records or other documents. Still the coat of arms which was in use by the father and uncles of the great primate, viz.: a chevron ermine between 3 batons or, on a ground azure, and the crest, a mailed hand and arm holding a baton or, are testimony of the tradition being founded on some such fact.

It is probable that John le Ussher or de Ussher, who in 1302 was made Constable of Dublin Castle by King Edward I., held the office for several years, and was then re-appointed by Edward II. (who seems to have been his friend or patron, the original appointment having been "at the instance of King Edward's son,") was the grandfather or great grandfather of Arland Uscher.

If John le Ussher were the same as John Nevil, then the title "servant of the King," and his connection with the King's son might have given rise to the story about Prince John; for there is always a tendency in the absence of records to throw back the date of a tradition to the earliest coming of the English into Ireland.

John le Ussher appears to have lived latterly in England, and either died or retired from office in 1309-10. Now if he were of the York-hire or Westmoreland Nevils, his son may have lived and died in the North of England, and Arland Ussher, the grandson, when coming over to Dublin, and settling there as a leading merchant, may have brought the coat of arms and the story of his origin with him. Everything seems to point to Arland Ussher's having come from England. No Ussher appears in the long list of mayors and bailiffs of Dublin before him; no Ussher is mentioned in any way during the hundred and forty years previous to him, as holding any office or any land in Ireland.

Again the fact, that Primate Henry Ussher and his three brothers, who had studied in the English Universities, and one of whom, Christopher, was Ulster King of Arms, quartered the 3 lions' paws erased sable of the Usshers of Fetherstone Hall, near Pontefract, Yorks (a family who claimed descent from an Usher of Richard II. at Pomfret or Pontefract Castle) with their own ancestral arms, points to their having had some belief in and knowledge of a Yorkshire origin, and of a connection with that family. In the absence of clearer evidence, the writer offers this only as a suggestion.

The Nevilles claim to be descended from Gilbert de Neville, said to have been the Admiral of the Conqueror's flest in 1066, and the Nevilles of Raby Castle, Yorkshire, marked this by a galley in their arms. Geoffry, grandson of the above Gilbert, married Emma Bulmer, the heiress of Brancepeth; there is a tower at Raby Castle still named "the Bulmer Tower," and near the top of this tower a large B for Bulmer is twice cut in the stone.

Isabel, the dr. and heiress of Geoffry, married Robert FitzMeldred, who took the name of Neville (cf. "Burke's Extinct Peerage ").

Returning to Arland Ussher, we find that he married twice into old feudal families of the Pale, viz. : those of Taylour and Berford, which would be unlikely unless he were of ancient descent himself; his sons also marrie.l into the well-known families of Cheevers, Foster, D'Arcy and FitzWilliams.

Arland Ussher had by his 2nd marriage two surviving sons, John and Christopher, who were respectively the founders of two great lines of descent.

John Uscher or Ussher, the elder son, had by his marriage with Joan Foster of Killeigh two sons, Arland and Thomas. The former of these, Arland Ussher or Usher of Dublin, founded the Santry or Cromlin family, now represented by the Ushers formerly settled at Birr, who have always steadily adhered to the single "s" in the spelling of the The most noted of this branch was the above named Arland name. (the second) who was not only a prominent merchant and collector of the Port of Dublin, but a man of religious zeal, having rebuilt St. John's Church. The notices of him seem to point to his holding some important office, and the writer discovered in a MS. pedigree in T.C.D. a statement that this Arland was King of Arms. If this was so, he was probably an "Ireland King of Arms," an office in existence long previous to the Ulster Office. He married into the ancient house of Holywood of Artane, descended from Sir Robt. de Holy Wood or de Sacro Bosco, Knighted in 1361, as "the worthiest in chivalry," by Lionel, Duke of Clarence and Earl Palatine of Ulster.

The descendants of Arland Usher, jun., intermarried with the well-known families of FitzJohn, Ball, Plunkett, Eustace, Malone, Segrave, Challoner, and Shelton.

This family of the Usshers held fast to the faith of their ancestors, and thus by forfeiture of estates, lost their former prosperity.

Among the Usshers of Birr were several men of fine moral and social character, such as Noble Luke Ussher of Gurteen, and Noble Luke Ussher who presided at a meeting of the Roman Catholics at Birr in 1833.

Thomas Ussher, the 2nd son of Arland Ussher the younger, married Margery, dr. of Henry Geyton, a member of a very old civic family in Dublin, and was by her the father of five sons and three daughters; the first and third of his sons were eminent merchants, the eldest daughter was wife to John Garvey, Archbishop of Armagh, the second, third and fifth sons distinguished in the Church, Law and Court. Of these, Henry, the second son, a learned and pious Divine, having studied in Cambridge, Oxford and Paris, was ordained and became Archdeacon of Dublin. It was while holding

this dignity that he gained great renown as a preacher, and went at the request of the Lord Chancellor and his fellow citizens, and at his own expense, to London, to plead for permission for the building of a new College. So successful was he, that he returned with a Charter from Queen Elizabeth, in which it is expressly stated that the Queen grants it owing to his persuasion, and in consequence she appoints him to be first Fellow, his friend Rev. Luke Challoner, second Fellow, and Ussher's nephew, Rev. Lancellot Money, third Fellow of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity near Dublin Henry Ussher's youngest son, the distinguished Robert Ussher, Provost of T.C.D., and Bishop of Kildare, fell on evil times in 1641, and died of grief brought on by his troubles.

For his labours in connection with Trinity College, Henry Ussher was promoted to the Primacy, which he held with honour and respect till his death. 1613. His descendants were estated gentlemen at Balsoon in the Co. Meath. The most eminent of them was James Ussher, who was a Roman Catholic priest in Kensington, and died in 1771. Some of his works, such as "Clio, an Essay on Ta-te," are written in a most chaste and exquisite style. He was a famous schoolmaster, and partner in that profession with John Walker, the author of the Pronouncing Dictionary. Arland Ussher, third of the name, was a distinguished Chancery lawyer, who married a daughter of James Stanihurst, the Recorder of Dublin, and three times Speaker of the Irish House of Commons. But the greatest honour this Arland Ussher had was that of being the father of two most learned sons, of whom the younger, Ambrose, was unfortunately cut off by death too soon for the world's gain, but the elder, James Ussher, the famous scholar, antiquary and divine, was perhaps in his own line, the most wonderful genius in our Church since the Reformation, and equally holy, humble and innocent as he was of commanding intellect, and almost miraculous attainments. He was successively Professor of Divinity in Dublin University, Bishop of Meath, and Archbishop of Armegh. His name as a man of learning became known throughout Europe, and even penetrated into the far East, where he had agents employed to secure rare MSS. of the Scriptures and other works. He was appointed by Charles I. to hold the Bishopric of Carlisle in commendam, on being despoiled cf his property by the Irish rebels, but he lived to be very poor and dependent

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on the bounty of kind friends, owing to his faithfulness to King and Church in the days of Oliver Cromwell. He died in his 76th year in the spring of 1656, leaving an only child, concerning whom and her descendants the writer has gathered many fresh facts for this work.

We now turn to Christopher, the youngest son of the first Arland Ussher, and who married 1st a D'Arcy and 2ndly into the great feudal family of FitzWilliam or FitzWilliams, now represented by Earl FitzWilliam, and by the Earl of Pembroke. Christopher Ussher died early in life, but left a son John Ussher, who occupied a most prominent position, as Alderman, and Collector of Customs, being greatly trusted by the Government of the day for his ability and disinterested patriotism. He was also a man of deep piety and religious zeal, and at his expense and in his house at Bridgefoot, Dublin, was printed the first book in the Irish language.

His son, Sir William Ussher\* the elder, married the daughter of Archbp. Loftus, and obtained great influence as Clerk of the Privy Council, an office which he held from 1593 until the fall of Chas. I. In his house and at his expense was printed the first version of the Irish New Testament. He died aged ninety-six, leaving many sons and daughters who contracted alliances with leading Irish families, and his eldest son Arthur also left a large family of sons and daughters, from whom many of the present nobility and gentry are descended in the female line, such as the Duke of Wellington, the Marquis of Ormonde, the Earl of Rosse, etc. From Sir Wm. Ussher's grandson, Sir Wm. Ussher, junr., of Bridgefoot, were descended John Ussher, Master of Chancery, ancestor of the Usshers of Mt. Ussher and of Eastwell, Co. Galway, and of the Abbè Edgeworth, also of Sir Thomas Ussher, K.C.B., well known in connection with the exile of Napoleon I. to Elba. From Colonel Beverly Ussher, a younger brother of Sir Wm. Ussher, junior, came the Usshers of the Co. Waterford, and Ussher, Lord St. George, ancestor of the Duke of Leinster.

• He charged on the chevron ermine of the Ussher arms for difference a lozenge with the FitzWilliam arms, *i.e.*, Gules on a bend cotised ar. 3 popinjays vert. Adam Ussher, Ulster, 1619-1633, bore the same with a crescent for difference.

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#### THE

## USSHER MEMOIRS;

OR,

## GENEALOGICAL MEMOIRS OF THE USSHER FAMILIES IN IRELAND.

#### CHAPTER I.

#### THE USSHERS OF YORKSHIRE, ETC.

THE name Usher or Ussher is often found in ancient documents in England after the Norman Conquest; in the first instance as a title of office, and then as a sirname derived from the office of the first person of the name. Thus in an Inquis. post mort., 56th Henry I., we find *Richard le Ussher*, Southampton, owned a house in Calpe Str., Winton; in Inquis. 106, 21st Edw. I., "*Ricus le Usser* pro Priore Cantuar, Kœvic' Cantuar. tenement' ibidem';" in 32nd Ed. I., *Nicholas Ussher*.

In Morpeth Deanery, Northumberland in the 35th of Edw. III., *Robert Usher* is witness to a deed of John Preston of Newe, and we find a deed of May 29th, 1452, by which a tenement of the East side of Newgate betw. the land of the Abbot of Westminster on the south, and that of *Richard Uscher* on the north side was conveyed to James Bukk. In 1461, Jan. 10, 5th of Edw. IV., *Rowland Usher* grants to H. Bewick 2 tenements, which tenements he had by charter of feoffment from *Roger Uscher* at 13s. 4d. p. ann. for ever.

An ancient family of the name Ussher was early settled in Yorkshire, and Glover in his visitation of that county, 1585 (which is continued in 1612);

gives the pedigree and origin of the name as follows (cf. T.C.D. MS., F. 4-14, p. 66):

JACOBUS f.... Domini Conniers, gent. Usher, Rich. 2, 1377, apud Pomfret Castle, *unde nomen est desumpta*, m.... f. sola Hen. Hackworth de Hakworthingam Hall, in Co. Lincoln. Issue :

- I. JOANNES, 1403, of Fetherstone m . . . f. & h. Thomae Baghill de Fetherston Hall, Yorks. Issue:
  - I. ROBERT USSHER of Featherstone; m. Alice f. Ric. Wentworth de Bretton arm. Issue:
    - ROBERT USSHER, 1515, alive in 1585, m. Joana, f. & h., Tho. Wilbore de Arksty Hall, als New Hall als Whitefryers. Issue:
      - 1. MATTHEW USSHER, eldest son, m. . . .
        - (1) Robert Ussher.
        - (2) Matthew Ussher.
        - (3) Thomas Ussher.
        - (4) Cotton Ussher.
        - (5) George Ussher.
        - (6) Frances Ussher.
        - (7) Elizabeth Ussher.
        - (8) Mary Ussher.
        - (9) Ursula Ussher.
      - 2. THOMAS USSHER, m. Anne, dr. of John Bore, of Doncaster. Issue:
        - (1) Robert Ussher.
        - (2) Nicholas Ussher.
        - (3) Joan Ussher.
        - (4) Dorothy Ussher
      - 3. WILLIAM USSHER, m. Anne, dr. of Robt. Crawshaw, of Epworth, in the Isle of Axholme. Issue:
        - (1) John Ussher, d.s.p.
        - (2) Joan Ussher.
      - 4. Robert Ussher, Clerk in Holy Orders.
      - 5. Richard Ussher, Clerk in Holy Orders.
      - 6. Nicholas Ussher, s.p.
      - 7. John Ussher, s.p.
      - 8. Margaret Ussher.

- I. Isabel Ussher m. Robert Rogers of Bristol.
- 11. Margaret Ussher m. Thos. Wroe.

There would seem to have been a knowledge on the part of the Dublin Usshers of some connection between them and this Yorkshire family of Ussher. Many of the Christian names in both are identical, and Primate Henry Ussher and his descendants quartered the arms of the Yorkshire Usshers with their own, as we also find in Arland Ussher's Funeral Entry, and in a coat of arms of Primate James in a contemporary MS. armory in the British Museum.

The name Ussher or Usher is still common in the north of England, and from thence extended early into Scotland. We find in a Close Roll of the 4th year of Richd. II. the name of "Finalay Ussher, a Scottish merchant, and previous to that, Robert Vsher, Provost of Peebles, *cf. Excheq. Rolls, Scot.* 1330. The Rev. W. Neville Ussher, Rector of Stow, Lincolnshire, writes that his family now of Edinburgh and eminent merchants there, were formerly owners of Toftfield in the parish of Melrose, where he has traced the name in the parish Registers as far back as 1645; there is a tradition that they were originally of the stock from which the great Archbishop sprang. John Usher of Toftfield was an intimate friend of Sir Walter Scott, to whom he sold his estate, which now forms a part of Abbotsford.

In the University of Oxford James Ussher was B.A. 1508, M.A. 1510, Fellow of All Souls' Coll. Thos. Uscher was B.A. 1450. Wm. Huscher, Chaplain, suppl. for B. Canon L. 1510.

## CHAPTER II.

#### EARLY NOTICES OF THE NAME USSHER IN IRELAND.

THE founder of the Dublin family of Ussher and its various branches was one Arlantor orArlanton Uscher, a merchant of Dublin in the reign of Henry VI., But there were persons of the name in Ireland long before his time. Thus in a Plea Roll of 10th Edw. I. Hugh Bigod, Earl of Norfolk, Marshall of England and Lord of the parts of Leinster in which Dunbrody was, in 1281, complained of certain persons for entering his forests of Bentry in Wexford

where they felled and appropriated oaks and other trees. An Inquisition was taken as to Hay Hustard and Wm. Uesher, as to "whether the aforesaid Hay Huskard and Wm. Uesher whether without the leave and consent of the Earl himself, entered his forest of Bentry and destroyed and wasted many oaks and other trees in the same forest, etc., against the peace, as the Earl says, or if they by the grant and will of Robert Cokeril, then Seneschal of aforesaid Earl had leave to cut 6 oaks, which they took and never destroyed any others" (cf. Gilbert's Chartularies of St. Mary's Abbey).

Again, in the Calendar of Irish State Papers temp. Edw. I., Aug. 12, 1288, "The King notifies that Wm. de Valence his uncle and Joan his wife, remaining in England had attorned before the King *Simon de Usher*, etc., in all pleas and plaints in the Courts of Ireland (Pat. 16 Edw. I. m. 6), and further in 1288 '*Simon le Usher* attorned for 2 years.'"

1290-1. "Letters of Attorney in Ireland for 3 years under the names of *Simon le Usher* and *Peter le Usher* for Joan de Valence" (Pat. 19 Edw. I. m. 17), and so likewise in 1295.

In Cal. of State Documents, Ireland, 1302-1397, we read: Feb. 17,  $130\frac{1}{2}$ , 21. grant to John le Ussher, Serv<sup>t.</sup> of the King, at the instance of King Edward's son, of custody of the King's Castle of Dub. to hold for his life, provided that he conducts himself well and faithfully in the custody. He shall moreover yearly render and receive as much as other keepers were wont to render and receive.

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Payments. To John le Usscher for custody of the Castle from June 10 in 130<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, until August 31 next ensuing 83 days, £4. 3s.

Again,  $130\frac{3}{4}$ , John le Huscher, Const. of Castle, Dub., for custody thereof, Sept. 1, a. r. 31 to St. Val. Day, to wit 167 days at 12d. a day, pd. to Rd. de Balebin, his l. t. in Castle, £8. 7s.

1305. John de Usher attorned Peter de Alyton for 2 years.

July 10.

 $130\frac{2}{3}$ . John le Ussher attorned Wm. Butyler for 1 year.

March 22.

In the Memoranda Rolls 1st year of Edw. II. (1307) John Usher is appointed Constable of Dublin Castle.

In the Close Roll, 2nd Edw. II. 36. Lib., *John le Ussher*, Const. Castr. Dub. £9 4s. ad. rat. 12d. p. die.' p. feod. suo., Dub. 24 Oct.

49. R. vic.' Dub.' p'cipit. qd. de exitib bătte sue lib' fa' *Johi de* Usser, Const' Cast' Dub' p expens' vigiles in eodem castro 22s. 9d. ad rat  $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. p. die. Dub. 15 Nov.

3rd year of Edw. II. 1 R. Thes' etc. Lib' *Johî le Ussher* Const' Cast' Dub. £9 4s. p cust. p'd. 1309.

Playfair in his British Family Antiquity writes in a note when speaking of the Musgrave family: "The Ussher family is of great antiquity in Ireland, but is originally of English descent, where they bore the name of Nevill, being of the Nevills of the North until the reign of Henry II., when John Nevill, the 1st Irish Ancestor in 1185, having attended the King's son into Ireland, adopted the name of Ussher\* from the office which he then held." The same statement is made in Dr. Parr's Life of Primate James Ussher, and as he was Chaplain to the Archbishop, we may take it as probably made on the Primate's authority, but except the extracts above mentioned there is no early notice of the name of Ussher in any of the Close or Pipe Rolls, and it is unlikely that the *Huissier* or Usher of Prince John would have been without a large grant of lands or that his descendants would have first come to eminence as merchants. In connection with this tradition of Neville descent, we find in the Prestita Roll of 12th John, in a list of Knights, militibus de exercitu Hib. "Walter de Nevill, Henricus de Nevill, Hugo de Nevile."

In the Calendar of Documents relating to Scotland, November 9, 1420 (1011) the King commanded the Earl of Northumberland to issue a writ to the Archbp. of York to deliver Malcolme in exchange to Sir Richard Nevyle, Constable of Pontefract Castle, *Westmr.* 6th Henry VI. File 3.

Sir John de Neville of Raby also accompanied Richd. II. to Scotland in 1385. As there does not seem to have been a Lord Conyers so early as the reign of Richd. II. it is possible that Glover's pedigree of the Yorkshire family should have been derived from a Neville of Pomfret Castle.

<sup>o</sup> The word "Usher," is from the old French "Huisher," a door, whence huissier, Usher, Latin Ostarius, one who stands at the door to usher visitors into the presence.

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THE USSHER MEMOIRS.

## CHAPTER III.

#### ARLANTOR OR ARLAND USCHER AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Pedigree of the descendants of Arlantor Uscher.

ARLANTOR USCHER m. 1st, Alson Taylour, and had issue :

- I. THOMAS USCHER m Elizth. Cheevers, of Macetown, Co. Meath, whose ancestor received a grant of his lands from Henry II.
  - 1. Alson, f. & h., m. Wm. Bath, m. 2ndly, John Bellew.
    - 1. JOHN BATH of Athcarne, Chief Justice, C.P., m. Margaret, dr. of Thos. Darcy.
      - (1) Wm. Bath, of Athcarne, Co. Meath.
      - (2) George Bath.
      - (3) Robt. Bath.
      - (4) Luke Bath.
- II. MARGARET USCHER.

ARLANTON USCHER m. 2ndly, Anne Berford, of the family of Kilrue, and had issue :

- III. JOHN USCHER m. Joan Foster.
  - I. ARLAND USCHER m. Rose Holywood.
    - 1. Robert Uscher of Cromlin.
    - 2. Katherine Uscher.
    - 3. Alson Uscher.
  - 11. THOS. USCHER m. Margery Geyton.
  - III. JENNET USCHER.
- IV. ROBERT USCHER, d. y.
- V. PHILIP USCHER, d. y.
- VI. CHRISTOPHER USCHER m. Maud D'Arcy.

m. 2ndly, Alison Fitzwilliams of Merrion.

VII. ANNE USCHER.

There are many sources of information for the history of Arland Uscher

and his descendants, owing to the fact of their having held prominent offices in Dublin and other parts of Ireland.

The name Arland, sometimes wrongly spelt Arnold, is evidently an abbreviation of the older forms Arlantor and Arlanton, which are the original of Arlander and Alentor and the same as Orlando or Roland. The form Arland appears only in two other families, those of Barry and Eustace, and then perhaps by derivation from the Usshers. Arland Barry was son of Ald. James Barry, Sheriff Dub. 1577, and . . . Eustace had by Bealing, his second wife a son Arland. A similar name, Erlend, is found frequently among the Norse Jarls of Orkney; thus Erlend, Earl of Orkney, d. 950; Erlend, Earl of Orkney, d. 1098, had a son, Erling, slain in Ireland; and Erlend Ungi, Earl of Orkney, d. 1156.

According to the Pedigree recorded in the Ulster Office, which is founded on Funeral Entries, Rolls, Inquisitions and other original documents, ARLANTON USCHER or USSHER, was Bailiff of Dublin in 1461, and Mayor of Dublin in 1469; there is a power of attorney granted to him in the Memoranda Roll 8 Edw. IV., which is unfortunately lost; his death is recorded in the Christ Church Obit Book as, "Arlanton Wscher, ob. Jan., 1479." He married 1st Alson, dr. of . . . Taylour of Swords and his wife Joana, dr. of Richd. Bagot, and by her had issue:

I. MARGARET USCHER.

II. THOMAS USCHER, who by his wife, Elizabeth, dr. of Walter Cheevers, of Macetown, Co. Meath, and his wife, Kate, dr. of Sir Wm. Welles, Lord Chancellor of Ireland, by ... Plunket, dr. of Lord Killeen, had issue Alsona, daughter and heiress, m. first Wm. Bath, of Athcarne, Co. Meath, by whom she had issue John Bath of Athcarne, Chief Justice of Ireland. The above Wm. Bath was grandson of Matthew Bath, of Dollardstown, by Bessie, d. and heir to Russell, of Russellstown, Co. Meath. Sir Wm. Welles was son of Leon; Lord de Welles, Lord Lieut. of Ireland.

John Bath, by Margaret, dr. of Thos. Darcy, was the father of four sons, William, George, Robert and Luke, and ancestor of the family of De Bathe. Alsona Uscher m. secondly John Bellew, of Bellewstown.

ARLANTON USCHER, m. secondly Anne Berford, of Kilrue, Co. Meath, and had issue :

III. John Ussher, of whom below.

IV. Robert Ussher, d.s.p.

V. Philip Ussher, d.s.p.

VI. Christopher Ussher, of whom presently (Chap. XI.)

VII. Anne Ussher.

In T.C.D. MS., E. 3, 28, p. 5, is the following :---" Arland Uschêr and Anne Berford his wyfe made a taile to theire sonnes, John, Robert, Phillip and Christopher, Anne and Margarett, for want in heires of the males afor'd to one Tomas, and for want of their heires to Corpus Cristi yeld in Dublin for maintenance of a Person to the poor house in Brewers Lane wch the said Arland erected, and for want of p'formance of the sd. covenant with the poor house the sd Anne Berford's heirs to re-enter upon his land p'cell of the land was thouse in Lane neer St. John's and their Lands in the contry : this taile bereth date about the xiith yr of Edw. the iiijth. Ed. the 4th began his reign 4° Meii 1460 and ended his life in M'ch, 1482. Alson Ussher by the reporte of my [Christopher Ussher's] cozen Richard Ussher made a taile for want of heirs of her body to John Ussher his heires w'ch taile beareth dat in Henry VIth is daies. Henry VIth began his reigne the last of August 1442 and ended his life in March 1460."

JOHN USSHER, of the City of Dublin, mercht., 1485, m. Joana, dr. of Wm.
Foster, of Killeigh, by Katherine, dr. of — Birt,\* of Tullock,
("The said Wm.'s father m. Genet, dr. of Cusack of Gerardstown." Rot. Pip. 18 Hen. VII.) and by her had issue :

> I. Arlanton or Arland Ussher, Ireland King-at-Arms (?), Sheriff of Dublin, 1521, appointed joint Feoffee by Xpr. Ussher, 1526, Mayor, Dub. 1528, appointed joint Collector of Customs for the ports of Dublin, Drogheda and Dundalk in 1532, died 13th of February, 1557 (4th Phil. & Mary). This Arland Ussher rebuilt St. John's Church, Dublin, which became the burying place of his family, cf. Repertorium Viride, "Ecclesia Sti Johannis de Boves Street (*i.e.*, Booths Str.) quam hac tempestate Arnoldus Usher restauravit a fundamentis." In 1548 the Christ Church Chapter leased to him the "winetavern under the said church, which the said Arland then enjoyed."

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We read also in Inq. 34, Dub. 32° Hen. VIII. "qd. Abbas Wm. Launay of St. Mary, Dublin, 28 Oct. 32 H. VIII. p.cartam suam de dat 6th diei Octobr' a° dni 1538 dimisit Arlando Usher omès decim garbury and flur rect' de Kylemacudryke, ad D'minū 31 annor."

Also an official Inquisition as to the property left in Ireland by Lord Deputy Gray was, in 1540, on his arrest, commanded by the Lords of the Council in England, and on this subject a communication was sent to them (State Papers, Ireland, Henry VIII., Nos. 34, 35), in which the Archbp. of Dublin and two others say :--

"We have also examd Arland Ussher whoo confesseth by his othe that he hathe no more in his custody of the sayde Lordes Leonardes but one bason of sylver. He sayeth he had in his keping a stele caskett with dyverse bagges ensealed, whiche one Eute, the said Lord Leonarde's servaunte tooke from hym; but how mooche was in the sayde caskett and bagges he knew not and as he thought no small somme. Dublin vii. of Auguste." Robert Cowley, Master of the Rolls, wrote to the Duke of Norfolk that Arland Ussher had been examyned to the same effect. (cf. Gilbert's Chartul, St. Mary's Abbey).

II. Thomas Ussher, of whom below (Chap. V.)

III. Jenet Ussher m. 1st Powell, m. 2ndly Capes.

The above ARLAND USSHER m. Reia Rex or Rosina, dr. of — Holywood of Artane. It is recorded in the Christ Church Mortiloge that she gave a silver bowl of 27 ounces for the Common table of the Vicars of Christ Church.

In the account of lands, etc., of St. Mary's Abbey at its dissolution, 1539-40 (in the State Papers, Ireland, vol. ii. 2, edited by J. T. Gilbert, Esq.), they say, in an Inquisition, "quod Arnaldus Ussher tenet ibidem (p'sh of St. Olave in Fishamble Street), unam domum pro termino annorum et reddit per annum vi.<sup>s</sup> viii.<sup>d</sup>"

By Rose Holywood he had issue,

Robert Useher, of Santry and Cromlin (of whom below in the next chapter), and two daughters, Katherine and Alson Ussher.

# CHAPTER IV.

### THE USHERS OF SANTRY AND CROMLIN.

Pedigree of the descendants of Robert Usher of Santry.

ROBERT USHER, b. 1528, m. Margaret FitzJohn, and had issue:

I. THOMAS USHER, d.y.

II. RICHARD USHER, m. 1st Ellinor Plunket, and had issue :

I. ROBERT USSHER, m. Margaret Ball, and had issue :

1. Robert Usher, jun., m. . . .

(1) Arland Usher.

(2, 3, 4) Children.

(5) Marie Usher.

2. Matthew Usher.

3. John Usher, m. . . .

(1) August Usher, m. . . .

[1] Augustin Usher.

4. Amy Usher, m. Barth. Rely.

5. Bridget Usher, m. Peter Holmes.

6. Anne Usher.

11. Margaret Usher, m. Edmund Malone.

111. Elizabeth Usher, m. Maurice Eustace.

IV. A daughter m. Robert Preston.

RICHARD USSHER, m. 2ndly Jane Ball, and had issue :

v. John Usher of Kilkenny, d. unmd.

vi. Rose Usher, m. Thos. Challoner.

v11. Eleanor Usher, m. Lamerick Nottingham.

VIII. Mary Usher.

III. Ellinor Usher, m. Walter Ball.

IV. Margaret Usher, m. Robert Feekins.

V. Anne Usher, m. Walter Archbold.

ROBERT USHER, first mentioned, m. 2ndly, Katherine Sedgrave, and had issue:

VI. Laurence Usher, m. 1st Miss Marshall, 2ndly Margaret White.

1. Luke Usher, ancestor of the Usher family of Birr.

VII. Robert Usher, m. Amey . . .

1. Arlantor Usher of Fishamble Street.

VIII. Arland Usher, d. inf.

IX. Elizabeth Usher, m. Edw. Cateling.

X. Marie Usher.

XI. Rose Usher, m. John Shelton.

ROBERT USHER, of Santry, Alderman of Dublin, born in 1528, was aged 28 at his father's death. Mention is made of him in the will and Inquisition of his relative Nicholas Holywood, of Tartaine, 10th August, 1570, who "enfeofs John Ussher of Dublin; mrcht., son to Thos. Ussher, decd., of the same in his lands of Turtaine, etc., for purposes herein, etc.; Ballicaricke Co. Dub. to the only use of my cussen Robert Ussher of Dublin, Alderman, and his assigns for and until such tyme for debt due to him and to all other my creditors according my said cossyn Robert Ussher's knowledge and discretion and as also for full p'ferment and myntenance to learning of every my children and cossins; to cossin Robt. Ussher for and in consideration of his paynes alwayes to my use £23; to his son Richard £100 towards his myntenance and keping to the ins of court to the studie of the law or at or to any learning else as he the said Richard shall dispose. Margarett sister to Richard one other £100 in p'ferment; cossyn Robert Ussher's is other doghters £100. Robert Ussher to be guardian to my children and overseer of my xecutors."

From the Dublin Assembly Rolls we learn that at Easter, 1566, his name occurs, and at the Christmas Assembly, 1570, it was "agreed that Alderman Robert Usher shall have the tenement in the Fishamble Street wherein lately dwelled John... for 61 years, paying £20 and such yearly rent as John ... payd;" and Michaelmas, 1583, "a lease for years to Nicholas Coleman of *an orchard near the gate of All Hallowes* now in tenure of the administrators of Robert Usher, to commence from termination of the present interests. Rent 26s. 8d. per ann."

Robert Usher, m. first Margaret, dr. of Thomas FitzJohn,\* of Fianston, and his wife, Mary Cruse, and widow of Richard Foster, of Santry; and secondly m. Katherine, dr. of Patrick Sedgrave, of Killeglan, in 1567. He was Sheriff of Dublin, 1553, and Mayor of the same, 1561.

By Margaret FitzJohn he had issue:

I. Thomas Usher, who died young.

II. Richard Usher of Cromlin and Santry, Co. Dublin (of whom below) born c. 1550, ob. 18th August, 1625, m. first Ellinor, dr. of Robert Plunket of Dunsoghly, by his wife Anne Plunket (widow of Wm. Birmingham, Baron of Carbery).

Anne Plunket was dr. of Sir John Plunket, Knt., of Bewley, and his 2nd wife Anne Barnewell. The said Sir John was 12th in descent from John de Pluquenet or Plunket of Bewley, Co. Louth, who died 3rd August, 1082; Lady Carbery had descent through her female ancestresses from the families of D'Arcy, Netterville, Luttrell, Bellew, Eustace and Nangle of Navan. She m. 2ndly, 17th July, 1548, Robt., son of Sir John Plunket, Knt., and Katherine FitzLeons als Luttrell. Sir John Plunket, Justice K. B., buried 1559, was son of Christopher (d. 1537), and Kath. dr. of Philip Birmingham, Cap. Just. K.B.; Christopher was son of Sir Thos. Plunket of Dunsoghly, Chief Just. K.B., and his wife Jenet Finglas.

Richard Usher's first wife died 1597, and was buried 6th September, 1597, in St. John's Church, Dublin. He m. secondly, Jane, dr. of Nicholas Ball, Alderman and Mayor of Dublin, and M.P. for Dublin city, in whose will pr. 1610, Richard is mentioned; she had previously been wife to Robert Cusack of Garryson, and had issue; she died 26th July, 1641. Richard Usher died the 18th of August, 1625. A Prerog. gr. admon., 13th Novr., 1626, was obtained by his son Robert.

In 1594 there was "a demise from the Dean and Chapter of Christ Church to Richard Ussher in considn. of  $\pounds 4$  Engl: of a wynetavern cellar under the church with the house and bawne thereto belonging."

> III. Ellinor Usher, m. first to Walter Balle or Ball, Alderman and Mayor of Dublin, who died in 1598; secondly, to Dr. Robert Conway, Master of Chancery, who died in 1602; thirdly, to

<sup>•</sup> Another Margaret FitzJohn, dr. of Richard, of Fianstown, and Genet, dr. of Gerald Plunket, the son of Sir Alexr. Plunket, of Rathmore, Knt., married James, Lord Killeen.

Sir John Eliot, 3rd Baron of the Exchequer, and of Balriske, Co. Meath. By her first husband she had issue, among others, her eldest son, Robert Ball, Aid. and Mayor of Dublin, who md. Jenet, eldest dr. of Primate Henry Ussher,\* by whom he had issue; also a dr. Rose Ball, wife of Rev. Lucas Challoner, D.D., by whom she had issue Phæbe Challoner, wife of Primate James Ussher.

The fragments of an interesting old sandstone slab commemorating Sir John Eliot and his four wives are in the ancient ruined Church of Balsoon, Co. Meath, of which he was the founder. On it are the Eliot and Usher arms impaled, with the name Elenor Uscher (cf. an article on it by the author in the Trans. R.I.H.A.A., 1888).

- IV. Margaret Usher, wife of Robert Feekins of Ballitraston, alive in 1595; son to . . . Feekins, who m. Margaret, dr. of John Dela Hide of Moyglare, and was squire to Edward Staples, Bishop of Meath.
- V. Anne Usher, m. 1st, Walter Archbold of Timolin, who died 1629 and was buried in Moone Abbey; 2ndly, Thos., son of Richard Barnewall and his wife Fabia Shelton; 3rdly, James Sherlock, ob. 1595, of the Castle of Naas, by whom she had a son James.

The prerog. will of Jas. Sherlock of Naas, dated 1595, recites that he "enfeoffed by deed of 31st July, 1595, Edward Dillon of Bishopscourt, gent., Tomas Sherlock of Naas, mrcht., and Robt. ffeakins of Ballitraston, of my Castell in the Naas, and lands descended by my late father John Sherlock, towards the New Bridge for p'ferm't of Jane Sherlock, my eldest dr., and of my other drs., and whear I have also enfeoffed Richard Ussher of Santry, Robert ffeakins of Baltraston and Thomas Sherlock by deed of enfeofm't 30 July, 1595, of house I dwell in, etc." He mentions his first wife Jane; his lands he bequeaths to Robert Sherlock his eldest son, and in failure of heirs to Philip his 2nd son. James Eustace of Ballemore shall paie of my sister Alson Sherlock V lb., my nephew Morris Eustace. "If my eldest sone do aplie his books well, etc." Brothers Robt. ffeakins and Thos. Sherlock, overseers of will. *Debts*—Item to George Ussher of Dub. X lb. str. Item to Cussen

<sup>•</sup> The author's mother, Jemima Ball, was 7th in lineal descent from Primate Henry Usher, and 8th from Ellinor Usher als. Ball.

Rob. Usher X lb. Item to Larance and Robt. Usher of Dub. VI lb. Proved 14 Oct., 1595. Anne Ussher's oath is recorded in the gr. admon. This James Sherlock was probably the founder of the family of Sherlocks of Sherlockstown.

ROBERT USHER of Santry, by his 2nd wife, Katherine Sedgrave or Segrave had issue:

- VI. Laurence Usher, mrcht., of Dublin, Freeman of Dub. 1595, alive in 1627 (of whom presently).
- VII. Robert Usher, mrcht., of Dublin, Freeman of Dub. 1595 (gr. admon prerog. 25th March, 1651 to his son Arlantor) m. Amy... and had issue:
  - Arlantor Usher, an eminent mercht. of Fishamble St., Dublin, who, according to his Funeral entry, "departed this life the last day of July, 1659, and was buried the 2nd day of August following in Christ Church, Dublin." He issued 2 Copper trade tokens in 1657 (cf. Dr.A. Smith's paper Trans. R.I.A.) From the large number of Chancery bills in his name dealing with commercial matters, it is evident that he had transactions of a wide nature, in one case as far as Muscovy.

In the MS. Cal. Pat. Rolls, Chas. I. (1635) there is "a graunt of his Majestie's most gracious and free p'don unto Arlanton Wsher of the city of Dublin, mercht, for the Ladinge of any exhibited commodities att any time heretefore in the shipp called the Flower of Lynn, whereof Roger Deere was master, countrary to the statutes of undecimo 'Tertio Eliz. Reg., leaving a blank for Yo. Lp to impose a fine for his ma'ties, wherein is contained an exception of the goods and forfeitures for wch judgm't is already given in the Exchequer or asserted there depending for the same, and a proviso that if the sd Arlanton Wsher shall sue for the delivery of the said goods or any of them out of his Maj. hande, out of the hands of any other haveing the same under his Maj's. 13 April."

VIII. Arland Usher, d. infant.

- IX. Elizabeth Usher, m. 1st, Edward Cateling; m. 2ndly, Christopher Lynch of Croby, Recorder of Drogheda, learned in the law, who decd. 29th of March, 1613, by whom she had issue: Robert, Lionel, Mary, Margery, Elinor, Margaret, Mabel, Frances, Elizabeth, Jane, Anne and Ismay.
  - X. Marie Usher.

XI. Rose Usher, m. John Shelton of Dublin, Alderman, who died 25th May, 1608, and had issue Thos. and Christopher; she died 26th Dec., 1607, and they are buried in St. Michan's Church, Dublin "with his father and ancestors." In his prerog. will dated March 22, 1608, he mentions his brothersiu-law, Mr. Richard Usher of Cromlyr, and Mr. Francis Taylor, his stepfather or father-in-law, Matt. Handcock, and his father John Shelton, decd., and that "I owe Sir W. Ussher 1 lb. st. in Engl. money, for which he hath a bill of my hand."

Laurence\* Usher, the sixth child of Robert of Santry and his 2nd wife, was, without doubt, the ancestor of the Usher family resident at Birr or Parsonstown, K. Co., until some years ago.

Laurence Usher, m. 1st, a dr. of John Marshall, who died 1597; he m. 2ndly, Margaret White, dr. of John White, Sheriff of Dublin, who died 26th April, 1603. The name of Laurence Usher occurs in Primate Jas. Ussher's State of Meath diocese, 1622; "Robert Ussher, Laurence Ussher of Dublin, mercht. and others are his Ma'tees fermors of the Rectory of Ratowth, being impropriate." Also according to a Chancery decree of 9th Feb. 1627, Thos Akyns, tailor, Pl'ff., Laurence Usher, mercht. of Dub., Deft., the Plff. was to recover 20s. being the freight of goods sent to Chester on board of Plff's Barque, and also 40s. expended in Chester, plff. and deft. and Luke, deft's son to give mutual releases and to withdraw all actions, suits, etc., respecting said sums." This decree is valuable as containing the link necessary to connect the Ushers of Birr with the Santry or Cromlin family.

- I. LUKE USHER, probably father of Robert Usher of Birr, m. . . . and had issue :
  - Robert Usher, Apothecary of Birr, born about 1640, living at Birr in or before 1690, in which year his house was burnt during the troubles; his will was pr. 12 June, 1704, at Killaloe. In it he bequeaths to his son Laurence £50; to son James £100; to children of son Luke, viz., Rob. and Joan, £40 each; to children of dr., now Mary Bedo, £20 each, James Bedo being her husband; to Margt. Usher £200; to son John £200, he to

<sup>\*</sup> The Christian names in order of the Cromlin Ushers are Robert, Laurence, Luke; Robert Usher of Birr, born about 1640, had 2 sons, Luke and Laurence. The name Luke has ever since continued in the Birr family of Ushers.

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be Executor. The bonds of Terence Magrath and his son John, etc. to be paid. Witnesses, Mich. Archer, Barnaby Archer. The will was proved by his son John. The aforesaid Robert Usher of Birr m. . . . and had issue :

(1) John Usher of Birr, Apothecary, m. . . . and had issue Robert and others.

Luke Usher, Surgeon, of KillmcShane, Co. Galway, m. by Prerog. Lic. 25th Aug., 1735, Margaret Archer of Birr. Robert Usher, son of John Usher of Birr, m., 1740, Catherine, dr. of Francis Maddin of Eyrecourt, mercht. There is a deed of 1746, by which Luke Usher, tanner, of Eyrecourt, did set to Wm. Gunning, sen. and jun., KillmcShane for 31 years, at £47 1s. per ann. A deed of 6th May, 1767, recites one of 9th April, 1740, by which Wm. Purefoy of Woodfield, Co. Galway, Esq., set to Adam Bloomfield, of Eyrecourt, gent., KillmcShane, Luke Usher, Surgeon, brother-in-law to Adam Bloomfield. In 1767 Luke Usher of Birr, gent., is mentioned in same deed.

These items are set down to help further enquiries.

(2) Luke Usher, born about 1675, became surety for the parish priest of Birr, July 10, 1704. He also was an Apothecary in Birr.

In his will pr. 7th Nov., 1718, he leaves to his wife, Catherine,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of his substance:  $\frac{2}{3}$  to his children, viz., his dr. Mary, son Thos. dr. Bridget, dr. Ann, sons Luke and Peter who are minors; £26 to his dr. Joane, which with 14 lb. expended on her make up the legacy of my father Robert Usher, decd., which I leave, and also £35 to my son Robt., with £6 pd. his master which make up the legacy, etc.

"Item I leave the following bonds in Trust for Father Wm. Shaugnessy, he paying expenses, viz.: George Comerford 40 round due of bond which he promised to Bror. John Usher, Bror. James Usher's bonds, Br. Michl. Archer and Phillys Lowry to be administrators. Coll. Terence Magrath of Ronay, Co. Tipperary, guardian to my children."

- (3) Laurence Usher, mentioned in the accounts of Joseph Inman of Ballybrittan, 1715, as owing money to him.
- (4) James Usher; a James Usher of St. Michan's parish, Dub., was m. by Prerog. Lic. to Sarah Thirkild of same, 5th Nov., 1737. Also in 1732 James Usher, weaver, was admitted Freeman of Dub. by special grace.
- (5) Mary Usher, m. James Bedo, and had issue.

(6) Margaret Usher. The Ossory will of Margaret Usher, spinster, of Kilkenny, "bequeaths to Edmond, son of Oliver Eustace and Jane Hughes, of Myshill, Co. Carlow, and to James Comerford of Kilkenny, mrt., all my substance, and to all and each of my relations 1s. no more. John FitzGerald of Callan is my nearest relation. 16 Aug. 1754, Margt. Usher her mark." Richard Archer of Kilkenny withdraws a caveat to this will in 1765.

Luke Usher, apothecary, above mentioned, m. Catherine Rush of Co. Galway, by Prerog. Lic., dated 23rd Novr., 1700, and had issue :

Mary Usher. [2] Robt. Usher. [3] Thos. Usher.
 [4] Bridget Usher. [5] Joan Usher. [6] Ann Usher.
 [7] Noble Luke or Luke Usher, of whom below. [8] Peter Usher. Of these—

Noble Luke Usher, born 1709, Surgeon, of Birr, m. Anne, dr. of Benjamin Bloomfield,\* Esq., of Eyrecourt, on Jan. 10, 1737, and had issue a numerous family. He died in 1787. A stone formerly in Birr graveyard, now in Ballarat, Australia, has on it the Usher crest with the motto, "Cede Majoribus," and the inscription :

SACRED to the memory of NOBLE LUKE USHER.

This stone

is

Erected by the Rev. Hemsworth Usher. He died on the 2nd of October, 1787,

aged 78 years.

\*The will of Benjn. Blumfield of Eyrecourt was pr. 1737, and mentions his 4th son Benjn., and leaves his property in trust to Rev. Thos. Hemsworth, of Abbeyville, Co. Tipy., and Lawrence Paine for his children; his eldest son John Blumfield, his 5th son Richd., his 3rd son Adam, 2nd dr. Anne, 3rd dr. Dorothy, wife Dorothy, Sister Mary Masterson als. Blumfield. Witnessed by Ne. Luke Usher. His eldest son John Bloomfield, Esq., of Newport, Co. Tipperary, m. Charlotte, dr. of Saml. Waller, Esq., and had issue *Benjn. Lord Bloomfield of Redwood*, Co. Tipperary, Lieut.-Genl. in the army, and a very distinguished officer, whose son Benjn. is now Lord Bloomfield.

Adam Bloomfield, the 3rd son, had issue a dr. Jane, who m. Cuthbert Feltus of the Co. Carlow, and had issue Elizth. Feltus, who m. Major Benjn. Marcus Ball, father of the Right Hon. J. T. Ball, Ex-Lord Chancellor of Ireland.

Of the children of Noble Luke Usher, according to an old family Bible now in Australia, and belonging to his daughter, Mrs. Vero:

- John Usher, born June 1st, 1739, died June, 1788. There was formerly a headstone in Birr to his memory with the Usher crest on it. He m. Mary, 5th dr. of Richard White of Castleview, Co. Tipperary, and his wife, the dr. of Roger Finch, Silversmith, of Dublin. By her he had issue:
  - Matthew Usher. 2. Mark Usher. 3. Noble Luke. 4. John Usher. 5. Hemsworth Usher—all Roman Catholics.
     6. Catherine Usher, Protestant.

Of these, Noble Luke Usher, Apothecary of Birr, born about 1782, m. Monica White. Will dated 29th November, 1832, pr. 1866; guardians to children, Counsellor Joseph Burke of Elmhall, and Richd. White of Parsonstown. He had issue:

- (1) John Usher. (2) Mark. (3) Luke. (4) Matthew.
- (5) Joseph F. Usher, M.D., Ballarat, Australia, m. ... and has issue.
- (6) Sarah Usher. (7) Mary Usher. (8) Monica Usher.

This Noble Luke Usher was Chairman of a meeting of R. Catholics at Birr, 24th February, 1833, to petition against the introduction of martial law into Ireland.

Catherine Usher, born 24th Novr., 1782, died 2nd April, 1844, buried in Mount Jerome Cemetery, Dublin, m. 18th July, 1801, George Harden, of Dublin, born 19th Jan., 1775, died 30th April, 1832, buried in St. Thomas' Churchyd., Dub., and by him had issue:

(1) Sarah Harden, born 27th April, 1802.

(2) John Mason Harden, of Brighton Lodge, Raheny, and 48 Lower Buckingham Street, Dub., born 6th May, 1803, m. 11th May, 1836, his cousin, Susan Frances, eldest dr. of Robert Usher, Esq., of Cashel, and Frances Kinna, and had issue: [1] George Harden, m. Eliza Revell, and has issue. [2] John Mason Harden. [3] Frances Harder, m. 1863, Rev. Chas. Wm. Benson, LL.D., of Rathmines. [4] Catherine Harden m. Arthur Parker Holmes, 1886, Surgeon-Major 1st Sikhs, d. 1st January, 1887. [5] Robert Usher Harden. [6] Wm. H. Harden. [7] Henry Harden.

[8] Charles Harden. [9] Susan Harden m. Richard N. Stoker, Surgeon-Major 1st Goorkhas. [10] Sarah Lucy Harden.

- (3) Mary Harden. (4) George Harden. (5) Catherine Harden.
- (6) Robert Allan Harden, m. Eliza Watson, and had issue :
  - [1] Ralph Wm. Harden, Clerk in Holy Orders, B.A., T.C.D., born 20th June, 1838, m. Anne, youngest dr. of Stevens Goff, and has issue : Mary, Eliza and Georgina.
    - [2] George Fredk. Harden, M.B., T.C.D. [3] Robert Allan Harden.
- (7) Richard Harden. (8) Mary Harden. (9) Wm. Harden.
- (10) Henry Harden, of Dundalk, m. Anne, youngest dr. of Robert Usher of Cashel, and Helen Coppinger, his 2nd wife; died 5th Jan., 1857, leaving issue: George William Harden, A.B., T.C.D.; Anne, and Henry Harden, LL.B., T.C.D.
- (11) Joseph Harden. (12) Georgina Harden. (13) Benjn.
   A. M. Harden m. Dorathea Carloton, and had issue: Sarah W., John Mason, Catherine Usher H., Dorathea Catherine H.
- 11. Margaret Usher, born May 6th, 1740.
- 111. Dorothy, born July 17th, 1741, died an infant.
- Anne Usher, born August 26th, 1742, m. Mr. Vero of Verona, Co. Wexford. Her will was proved 1816.
- v. Mary Usher, born March 8th, 1744, alive 1816.
- vi. Benjamin Usher, of Eyrecourt, born March 6th, 1745, m. Frances . . . and had issue: John, Anne, Frances, Catherine and Margaret. Hiswillwas proved at Clonfert 1800.
- VII. Dorothy Usher, born Feb. 14th, 1747, died young.
- VIII. William Usher, gent., of Creagh, King's Co., born Jan. 17th, 1748, w. pr. 1794, m. Rebecca Porter, by whom he had issue, five children, viz.:
  - 1. Mary Anne Usher.
  - Isaac Usher, born at Frankfort, K. Co. 1790, d. 1859, late of the Genl. Post Office, Dublin, m. Frances, dr. of John Parker, Solicitor, Dublin, and had issue :
    - Isaac William Usher, L.R.C.P. Edin. 1863; L.R.C.S.I. 1862, of Tudor House, Dundrum, Co. Dublin. Med. Off.

Dundrum Dispensary; late Purser Student, City Dub. Hosp.; Fel. Acad. of Med. Irel.; Mem. Irish Med. Assoc.

- 3. Luke Usher decd., went to the U. S., America, m. . . . and had issue :
  - Hon. Bloomfield Usher, Banker, of Potsdam, St. Lawrence Co., New York State, m. 1st his cousin Anne Usher, and had issue :
    - Bloomfield Usher of the Custom House, New York, m. his cousin Sarah Usher. [2] Francis Warren Usher of Madison, Wisconsin. [3] William Usher.
       [4] Michael Hoffman Usher. [5] Mary Usher m. Mr. Darrell of New York.

Hon. Bloomfield Usher m. 2ndly, Grace Laffin and has issue, Gracie Usher.

- (2) Luke Usher of the National Bank of Potsdam, New York State, m. Hannah, dr. of Isaac Small of Little Falls, and has issue, two daughters, Anne and Susan Usher, and a son Frank Usher.
- (3) Mary Anne Usher of Potsdam, U. S.
- (4) William Usher, decd., went to America, m. Janet Cilsey, and had issue :
  - Wm. Alexander Usher, of Little Falls, U. S.
     Marcella Usher.
- (5) Rebecca Usher m. Mr. Caswell of Little Falls.
- (6) Jane Usher m. Mr. Hoffman of Little Falls.
- 4. Bloomfield Usher, decd., went to America, m. . . . and had issue, Anne Usher and Luke Usher, the father of Sarah, and 3 other drs.
- IX. Robert Usher, born August 4th, 1749, lived and died at 98 Middle Abbey Street, Dublin, m. . . and had issue:
  1. John Usher, d. unmd. 2. Robert Usher, went to America and had two sons, Robert and Richard, both d.s.p. at Louisville, Kentucky. 3. William Usher, m. and died in Dublin.
  4. Eliza Usher m. Mr. T. Rielly, of 96 Middle Abbey Street, Dublin, d. 1864. 5. Anne Usher, d. unmd. Perhaps

Robert L. Usher, late of the Commissariat, w. pr. 1830, died in Fishamble Street, Dublin, unmd., was of the same family.

- x. Noble Luke Usher, born March 6th, 1750, died young.
- x1. Joseph Usher, born January 18th, 1751.
- XII. Richard Usher, born October 13th, 1753, Surgeon and Apothecary in Capel Street, Dublin, m. Elizabeth Armstrong, and had issue:
  - 1. Sarah, m. Rev. Thos. Cranfield, Rector of Templescobin. Co. Wexford, and had issue: Dr. Richard Cranfield m. Mary Furlong, d.s.p., Dr. Thos. Cranfield of Enniscorthy, Ada m. - Abbott. 2. Anne. 3. Noble Luke. 4. Sheldon, born 1780, entered T.C.D. 1795, m. and had two children. 5. George Rochford, m. and had three children. 6. Emma, m. Dr. Furlong, had issue : 1. John Furlong, late Surgeon-Genl. in Ireland. 2. Mary m. Dr. R. Cranfield, her cousin. 3. Anna F. 7. Dorothea. m. Edward Madden of Dublin. 8. Eliza, m. John Jackson of Limerick. 9. Richard, Lieut. 62nd Regt. 10. Harriet. 11. Julia. 12. Wm. Armstrong, Lieut., R.N., m. Anne Judd, and had twelve children, viz.: Eliza Anne m. Mr. Henzelle; George Wm., dead; Emma m. Mr. Anderson; William, dead; Dora, dead; Mary m. Mr. Ward; Sarah, dead; Wm. Armstrong, dead; Harriet, dead; Julia m. Mr. Lewis; Kathleen Victoria, dead; William residing in Rangoon.

XIII. Bloomfield Usher, born December 14th, 1754.

- xiv. Luke Usher (or Noble Luke), born February 3rd, 1757, of Gurteen, Co. Tipperary, called for his benevolence, "the poor man's friend," the first R. Catholic who was J.P., 1798; died 1807, w. pr. that year, John Lalor, Executor (Francis Usher of Love Lane, witness). He m. 1st Kate Lowth, and had issue by her:
  - 1. Thomas Usher, Surgeon R.N.

"Present at the Mutiny of the Nore, and acted as medical officer in the

boats of the fleet. He was at the battle of Camperdown with Admiral Duncan, and at the capture of 2 Dutch ships of the Line which had escaped the action. He was in one of a squadron of ships sent to the Baltic to convey Russian troops to the Texel, to aid the Duke of York, then commanding the British troops in Holland. He was present at the surrender of the Dutch fleet in the Texel to Vice-Admiral Mitchell, and in the Comet Fire ship, when the Desirée, a new French frigate of 44 guns was cut out of Dunkirk and three others driven on shore. He was at the battle of Copenhagen with Admiral Nelson, who after the action forced the enemies' fleets to re-enter their own ports, and he was employed for many years in small cruisers blockading the ports of Holland, Denmark, Sweden, and many other coasts, preventing vessels entering Boulogne, was at the battle of Trafalgar with Lord Nelson, and in charge of 1000 French prisoners captured at Walcheren, amongst whom a dreadful fever broke out, which was contracted by him. He received a medal and 3 clasps. For 40 years afterwards he was a travelling Inspector of Mails, residing in Limerick where he was an old and respected inhabitant."

Dr. Usher m. 1st at, St. Peter's Xch, Dublin, 14th Nov., 1810, Caroline, dr. of . . . Warren, and had issue a son:

 Noble Luke Usher, bap. St. Peter's, Dub. 9th Aug., 1815. Mrs. Usher died, aged 27, and was buried at St. Peter's Dub. 13th Sept., 1816.

He m. 2ndly, Marianne, dr. of Archdeacon Price, Rector of Roscrea, and his wife, Miss Tottenham (whose mother's name was Annesley), and had issue:

- (2) Brevet Lt. Colonel Edward Price Usher, R.M.I., who served in the Crimea, obtaining a medal and clasp and the Turkish medal, and also in China, obtaining a medal and 3 clasps. He is dead some years, leaving a widow, Elizabeth, who died Jan. 24, 1888, in London.
- (3) Captain Chas. Loftus Tottenham Usher, R.M.I., of London.
- (4) Henry Usher m. a Miss Fox.
- (5) Robert Usher, of the Genl. Post Office, Dublin.
- (6) Christina Usher, dead.
- (7) Ricarda Usher, baptized St. Peter's, Dub., 23rd June, 1818.

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- 2. Noble Luke Usher.
- 3. Robert Usher of Cashel, 3rd son of Noble Luke Usher, born about 1780, died 1847; w. pr. same year, m. 1st, Frances Kinna, and had issue:
  - (1) Susan Frances Usher, m. John Mason Harden.
- Robert Usher m. 2ndly, Helen Coppinger in 1829 and had issue :
  - (2) Katherine, m. Frank O'Kearney, and had issue.
  - (3) Emily, m. William Wayland, and has issue.
  - (4) Helena, m. William Victor, and has issue.
  - (5) Ellen, m. Dr. Vernon Russell of Cashel and has issue.
  - (6) Anne, m. Henry Harden of Dundalk, and has issue (see p. 17).
  - 4. William Usher m. Eliza, dr. of Archdeacon Price, sister of Thomas Usher's wife.
  - 5. Kate Usher m. Richd. Sparkes, and had issue:
    - Richard. (2) Robert, a doctor. (3) Thomas, a solicitor. (4) Sophia, m. Mr. Perrot.
  - 6. Sarah Usher m. . . . Nilan of Gort.
  - 7. Monica Usher m. John Spain.
  - 8. Mary Usher m. . . . Madden.
- Noble Luke Usher, of Gurteen, m. 2ndly, Bridget Lalor, and had issue:
  - 9. Eliza Usher. ) mentioned in their
  - 10. Margaret Usher. ) father's will.
  - xv. Rev. Hemsworth Usher, born Co. Galway, Dec. 10, 1758, entered T.C.D. 1776, Rector of Tyrrelspass and Clonfad, and Vicar of Horseleap, Dio. Meath; w. pr. 1821, md. 1st Oct. 1784, Catherine Clerk of St. Bridget's parish, Dublin, to whom he bequeathed Oldtown, Ferans, and Little Ardrans, and other property in the King's Co. and in Birr. By her he had issue :
    - Rev. John Usher, Rector of Tyrrelspass, whom Chas. Lever describes as the worst preacher in Ireland. Entered T.C.D. 1809, B.A. 1813.
    - 2. Hemsworth Usher.
    - 3. Richard Usher, born 1800, entered T.C.D., 1816.

4. Francis Usher of Lovelane, Dublin, 1821.

5. George Usher, born 1806, entered T.C.D., 1825.

xvi. Catherine Usher, born Nov. 5th, 1760.

- xvII. Elizabeth Usher, born April 7th, 1761, m. Mr. Anderson.
- XVIII. Dorothy Usher, born Nov. 27th, 1763, alive in 1816, wife of John Puncy Vero, Esq. of Snugborough, Co. Waterford, murdered at Vinegar Hill in 1798.

We now return to RICHARD USHER (see p. 11), of Cromlin, born 1550, who by his first wife, Ellinor Plunket, had issue :

- MARGARET USHER m. Edmund Malone, Alderman of Dublin, died 1635; by whom she had issue, one son, William, and seven daughters, of whom Frances Malone m. Richard Dillon of Clonbrock, the ancestor of Lord Clonbrock.
- 11. Elizabeth Usher m. Maurice Eustace, of Clongowes Wood, Co. Kildare, died January, 162<sup>‡</sup>, without issue. James Eustace, consang. prox. heir.
- 111. A daughter, probably m. Robert Preston (cf. Chancery Decree).

"The Exors. of James Preston of Balmadan, gt., Plffs., John Preston of Westerton, and Ellinor Talbot, his wife, Defts., 7 June, 1608. Defts. to pay Plffs. for moiety of wardship of Robert Preston £150, being half of £300 offered by Richard Usher of Cromlin as a marriage portion to said Robert with Richard's daughter."

IV. Robert Usher, "the elder," first of Cabinteely, died 1650; on 18th Jany., 12th Jac. I., "a License was granted to Robert Usher of Cromlin, and als gents to keep taverns in the City of Dublin." On October 5th, 1640, in the Irish House of Lords, "Robert Usher, Esq., against Nichols, Clk. (debt £500), who got protection by Privilege from the Primate of Armagh though not entitled to it; he being neither menial nor chaplain. Usher was admonished for aspersion on the Primate, and was ordered to alter his petition with apology." He m. before 1607, Margaret, the youngest dr. of Ald. Nicholas Ball, M.P. for the City of Dublin, 1585, their children being mentioned

in Nicholas Ball's Will, dated 1608. They had issue (according to a Chancery Bill):

- Robert Usher, "Junr.," of Cromlin, forfeiting Papist proprietor, 1657 (Survey and Dist. Book), Dublin; will proved 1660, in which he appointed John Bisse, Recorder of Dublin, John Exham, Senr., Esq., and "my brother," Stephen Dowdall, of Gallstown, gent., overseers, my eldest son, Arlande Usher, executor; to each daughter £200, each son £100, to be paid when they are respectively 18 and 21, out of the property of my inheritance according to my father's death, only the town and lands of Crumlin excepted, with it for my eldest son's maintce., he not to be maried before he better himself either in the Inns of Court or by travel in other countries for 3 years. My sister Ann Usher to take charge of my dr. Marie. My law books I leave with Alderman Edward Arthur." Witnesses, John Usher, Elinor Ussher [step-uncle and step-aunt].
- Matthew Usher, who "served abroad in the wars," and filed a Chancery Bill in 1688 against Holmes. Perhaps Matthew Usher, subscriber to Carson's Chronology, 1743, was a son of his.
- 3. John Usher, mercht., of Oxmantown, deceased before 1688, who by his wife...had issue: August Usher, father of Augustine Usher.
- Amy Usher, mentioned in the Will of Nicholas Ball, as eldest dr. of Robt. Usher, his son-in-law, and bequeathed £20, m. Bartholomew Rely, son and heir of Barnaby Rely, of Tymothan, Co. Dublin.
- Bridget Usher, m. Peter Holmes, of Dublin, who died 1675, leaving issue: (1) Jane, m. James Ryan, gent., 2ndly, m. ... Magennis. (2) Margaret, m. Arthur Stephen: (3) Ann, m. ... Southern. (4) Mary, w. pr. Mar. 28th, 1718. (5) Cisly. (6) George, d.v. patr. (7) Robert m. ... and had issue John, George and Peter: (8) Gilbert:
   6: Ann Usher, mentioned in her brother Robert's will

Richard Usher, of Cromlin, by his second wife, Jane, dr. of Nicholas Ball, who was widow of Robert Cusack, of Garryson, who died December 8th, 1597, leaving one son, had issue :

> v. John Usher, mercht., of Kilkenny, died unmd.; w. dated April 22nd, 1675, gr. admon., Ossory, April 7th, 1676, to Mary Nottingham als Conner, niece and nearest of kin. In the will he requests that all debts due be paid to Mr. Thos. Wetherly, and especially to Mr. John Balle [his 1st cousin] mercht. of Dublin, who is indebted £34 or more, sterl. in gold, as appears under said Balle his hands.

In the MS. Vol. D, relating to the Irish Establishments, and now in the Irish Rec. Office.

Exchequer :

"John Usher, Esq., Chiefe Chamberlain of ye Exchequer

paid for his fee in a year and 40 days, ending

20 March, 1636 ... ... ... £13 6 8

Liberates, John Usher, Esq., for same time ... 6 13 4"

- v1. Rose Usher, died 13th Oct., 1624, m. Thos. Challoner, mercht., of Dublin, son of John Challoner, the Queen's Secretary in Ireland, and had issue: 1. John Challoner. 2. Luke Challoner.
- vII. Eleanor Usher (or Gennet), m. Lamerick Nottingham, of Ballyowen, Co. Dublin, who died 1673, and was buried in Lucan church, leaving issue :
  - Mary. 2. William. 3. Captain Peter. (Captain Peter Nottingham, of Ballyowen, m. . . . and had a dr. Anne who m. 2ndly Brent Moore, Esq., and had issue, Sir Edw. Moore, Knt.) 4. Frances. 5. Ignatius. 6. Jane.
     7. Bridget. 8. Richard. 9. Stephen. 10. Patrick. 11. Martha. 12. Anna.

In his will Lamerick Nottingham names his wife Gennet, and wills that she hold the farm of Ballyowen until May next. He also names his brother Robert Usher and brother Suffeild.

VIII. Mary Usher-

It is not known whether there are still existing any male descendants of the first marriage of the first Robert Usher of Santry; but the Chancery Bill

alluded to above gives some family history as follows: "Matthew Usher, gent. and August Usher, son and heir and adminr. of John Usher, late of Oxmantowne, mercht. deceased; Matthew and John are younger children of Robt. Usher, Sen., of Cromlin, decd.; the said Robert, the elder, was seized of an estate in land in the Co. Dublin and suburbs, and left by him to his eldest son Robert, the younger, deceased, leaving some small legacy and portion of the youngest daughter Bridget, and having a fatherlike love and affection for Matthew and John. Peter Holmes and Bridget his wife, dr. of the said Robt. Usher, senr., the sd. Robert Usher, junr., his son and heir having died soon after his father's decease, Peter and Bridget Holmes took out letters of admon. to the sd. Robert Usher, senr., Matthew Usher then being abroad trying his fortune in ve wars. August is an old antient decrepit man, Augustin a young orphan. The Holmes married their dr. Jane to one James Ryan, gent, decd., of Dublin. The house in Thomas St. worth £18 per ann. was in her possession. Arlande Usher is son and heir of Robt. Usher the younger." Mich., 1688.

Perhaps of the same branch was Peter Usher, of King St., near Stephen's Green, Founder, of Dublin, Freedom of Dub. by grace 1709. Will dated 18 Dec., 1726, pr. 1728, m. Elizabeth . . . and had issue:

- I. Peter Usher of Hoy's Court, Dublin, Freeman by birth, Mich. 1718, m. . . . and had issue:
  - James, bap. 1737.
     Christopher, bap. Nov. 12, 1739,
     David, bap. Oct. 26, 1741.
     Margaret, bap. Dec. 12.
     1742, buried Sept., 1745.
- II. David Usher. III. Ann, m. . . . Stone before 1726. IV. Mary.
   V. Martha. VI. Margaret, bap. Feb. 4, 1721. VII. John,
   bap. Jan. 10, 1722, buried Feb. 28, 1722.

There are two Ferns wills which may be those of descendants of this family. The will of Patrick Usher, of Ballinagore, Co. Wexford, farmer, 1836, mentions his 3 sons, Peter, decd., Richard and William, his wife Margaret, and his sister Mary Dempsey. John Usher signs as witness.

The will of Peter Usher, farmer, of Ballingore, 1827, mentions his wife Bridget and 3 children, Margaret, Mary and Anastatia : his brother the Rev. Richard Usher, R. Catholic Priest. John Etchingham, witness.

## CHAPTER V.

THE USSHER FAMILY OF ST. NICHOLAS' PARISH, WITHIN THE WALLS, DUBLIN.

Pedigree of the descendants of Thomas Usher.

THOMAS USSHER, m. Margery Geyton, and had issue :

I. JOHN USSHER, m. Katherine May, and had issue :

1. Walter Ussher, m. Mary Kennedy, and had issue :

1. George Ussher, m. Alson Gough, and had issue:

(1) Patrick Ussher, m. Mary Nulty, and had issue :

[1] George Ussher, m. . . . and had issue:

[1] John Ussher, living 1782.

[2] Christopher Ussher, alive 1782.

[2] Stephen Ussher, Jesuit Priest.

[3] Michael Ussher.

[4] Barbara Ussher.

[5] Mary Ussher.

[6] Ann Ussher.

(2) John Ussher.

(3) Ignatius Ussher.

(4) Walter Ussher.

(5) Anne Ussher.

(6) Barbara Ussher.

(7) Mary Ussher.

(8) Bridget Ussher.

2. Christopher Ussher, m. Margaret Orr (?).

(1) Thomas Ussher.

(2) Elizabeth Ussher.

(3) William Ussher.

(4) Jane Ussher.

(5) Ann Ussher.

3. Matthew Ussher, m. Ismay Dillon (?)

4. John Ussher.

5. Mary Ussher.

6. Anne, m. John Brice.

11. Amy Ussher m. Robt. Mapas.

111. Mary Ussher m. . . . Kelley.

II. Henry Ussher, Primate of all Ireland, of whom in Chap. VI.

III. Arland Uesher, m. Margaret Stanihurst and had issue :

1. John. 11. James. 111. Ambrose.

IV. George Ussher, m. Æneas Kenan.

V. Christopher Ussher, Ulster King of Arms.

VI. Rose Ussher m. Primate Garvey.

VII. Alis Ussher.

VIII. Katherine Ussher.

JENNET USSHER, m. 1st, . . . Powell, 2ndly, . . . Capes.

The following interesting pedigree, never before published, is taken from T.C.D. MS., E.I., 21, page 23, and was written by Christopher Ussher, uncle of Primate James Ussher.

" My own petigre.

Tomas Uffher, my father, marid M. Geton by who he hath to sonnes and doughters.

John Henry, Arland, George & Chrpr., Roose, Allis Cathryne.

Roose m. Jo. Money who begate

on her Lancelot and Allis, after the decease of Money, Garvve.

Henri mard. Margery Eliote,

by who he hed Markes and Ambrose. Arland maried M. Stanyhurste.

After the defeise of my father my mother

m. Rd. Staine, after the desese of R. Staine she marid

Mr. Ambrose Forthe, now Officiall in Mikhs. 1575, O. e. t.

Jo. Arland [?] my grandfather, m. Jouan Foster, by whowe he hade Arland and Thomas and a dr. called Jenet, who m. Pouell and after him Capes.

Arlant, maried Rose Holywode by whome he had Rt., who maried Mt. FitzJohn, by whô he hade Thomas, Rd. and Elenor, Margaret and Anne. Rd. maried Elenor Plunket. Elenor Ufsher maried Walter Balle, and Mt. maried Fekines. Anne m. Barnwall. After the defsese of Margt. FitzJohn, Robart maride Catte Sedgrave, by whome he had Laraunce, Robarte, Izabell and Royse 1566 Father adye 76.

Sench his deth 12 yeres of St. Marke his daye that cometh 1578. My uncle Arlanton Ufsher died the 18 of Jaunnuary, 1557 My father died the —."

THOMAS USSHER, 2nd son of John Ussher and Joan Foster, who was the ancestor of that branch of the Usshers which included the illustrious Primate James Ussher, was born about 1496, and died the 25th of April, 1566, being probably then seventy-six years old. He married Margery,\* daughter of Henry Geyton or Geydon, Bailiff of Dublin, and his wife Margaret Berford. Mrs. Ussher md. secondly, Mr. Shillingford; thirdly, Richard Staine; fourthly, Sir Ambrose Forth, Judge of the Consistorial Court. In the Calendar of Irish State Papers, March 4, 1549, Thos. Scotte writes to Depy. Bellyngham : "Mr. Bolton and Thos. Hussher have promised to get him health, altho' he finds little ease."

Thomas Ussher and Margery Geyton had issue :

I. John Ussher, mercht., of Dublin, Sheriff of that city, 1592, died 20th of April, and was buried the 21st of April, 1593, in the Chancel of St. John's Church, Dublin. According to a Chancery Inquisition he was feoffed of the Castle and lands of Treffans, Co. Meath, and left Walter his son and heir, 7 years old. It would appear from the Patent Rolls, 17th Jac. I., that a grant was made to Wm. Parsons of "a house with a backside and other buildings, situated in the angle between High Street and St. Nicholas Street in Dublin city, in which John Usher and afterwards Thomas Bushopp, Alderman, lately dwelt." Thos. Byshopp, md. John Usher's widow and died 21st June, 1616. He had the wardship of Walter Ussher, John Usher's son.

\* For the pedigree of Margery Geyton or Geydon, see in T.C.D. MS., 4, 18, p. 105.— Thos. Geydon of Dublin m. Anna Woodborne, and had John Geydon f. & h., who by Genet Nangle had issue: I. Simon Geydon m. Kath. Cusack. II. Henry Geydon, Ald. (d. 8 June, 1530), m. Margt. dr. of Simon Berford, and had issue: (1) John, m. Eliz, dr. of Wm. Bath of Dollardstown, and had Hy. and Ann. (2) Hy. (3) Thos. m. Amy Eustace. (4) Margt. m. Thos. Ussher. III. Margt. Abbess of the Hoges, by Dublin.

(a. 5 June, 1530), m. Margt. ar. of Simon Bertord, and had issue: (1) John, m. Eliz., dr. of Wm. Bath of Dollardstown, and had Hy. and Ann. (2) Hy. (3) Thos. m. Amy Eustace. (4) Margt. m. Thos. Ussher. III. Margt. Abbess of the Hoges, by Dublin. Thos. Geydon had by Anna Woodborne 2ndly, Jenken Geydon, m. Joan Lansay, and had issue: I. Thos. II. Nic. m. Kath., dr. of Jo. West, and of Ales, dr. and h. of Cruise, and had issue: (1) John m. Eliz., dr. and h. of John Peppard, Ald. of Dub., and had Nic., Richd., Kath. m. Nic. Colman, Agnes m. Edm. Harold, Amy, Sisely, Alson m. Nic. Quaytrod. (2) Mich. Geydon m. Rose White, and had Margt., m. Gerot Dillon. III. John m. Alson, dr. of Cruise.

Wm. Geydon was Provost of Dub., 1333 and 1334. Henry Geydon was Bff. of Dub., 1518. Nicholas Geydon, in 1519. Simon Geydon, in 1525. Nich. Geydon, Mayor of Dub., 1532.

The signatures of John Ussher and Thos. Byshoppe, both appear as witnessing a deed of Archbp. Adam Loftus, 10th Jan., 1588 (cf. British Museum, Add. MS., 21,506).

John Ussher by his wife Katherine, dr. of Patrick May, mercht., of Dublin and of Kilmactalway, who died 17th June, 1616, had issue :

> Walter Ussher, born 1588, Alderman of Dublin. In a Fiant, 1600, is a grant to Thos. Bushoppe, mercht. of Dublin, of the wardship and marriage of Walter, son and heir of John Ussher, late of Dublin, mrt., and the custody of his lands during his minority; Rent 30s., of which 20s. for maintaining the minor, with a clause for his education in T.C.D. Fine £3, 10th April. Walter Ussher, m. Mary, daughter of George Kenedy of Dublin, Alderman, who died 20th Nov., 1661. In her will proved that year, she leaves her son George 12 pence, her son John £5; all the rest to her son Christopher, whom she made her executor.

The following are the items in the will of Walter Ussher:

"To be buried by my father in St. John's Church Dublin;" mentions "A deed of feoffment 4th Aug., 1630, by which I make over the lands of Trefan, etc., in the Co. Meath and Dublin, to 5 merchants of Dublin;" "wife Mary  $\pounds 60$  per ann., son John Usher  $\pounds 25$  per ann., and a chamber in my house in High St., wherein I now dwell, to my son George the house after the death of his mother; to son Christopher  $\pounds 3$  for portion; to son Matthew  $\pounds 3$  for portion; son Brice married my dr.; son George to be seized, etc. of all lands; son Matthew to be my sole executor, and I give him  $\pounds 50$ . In case the heirs of my lawful sons fail, the goods to go my natural brother Stephen; in lack of his heirs, to Richd. Brice my grandson. Remainder to Robert Usher of Cromlin. 31 March, 1636." Witnessed by John and Christopher Usher, sons. He died the 3rd of April, 1636.

John Ussher had also a natural son, Stephen, who was a mercht. of some consequence in Dublin, and m. Mary, dr. of Christopher Bisse, Esq., by whom he had a son John Ussher. The will of Stephen Ussher was proved 30th May, 1651.

> 11. Amy Ussher, m. first Robert Mapas of Dublin, mercht., who died 8th Jan., 1618. She md. secondly, John Nolan, and died a widow. A grant admon. of her goods was made Aug. 26th, 1634, to Christopher Mapas, mcrcht.

111. Mary Ussher, m. . . . Kelley, and was buried in St. Nicholas Church, Dublin, 17th May, 1654.

The above-named Alderman Walter Ussher, by Mary Kenedy, his wife, had issue :

 George Ussher, Junior, mercht. of Dublin, born c. 1613, 23 years old in 1636, died July 3rd, 1671, and was buried in St. James' Church, Dublin; he married Alson, eldest dr. of Alderman Patrick Gough, of Dublin (and his wife, Alson Piers, of Tristernagh, who m. 2ndly, Nicholas Dowdall, of Drogheda), and sister of Ignatius Gough.

In the Assembly Rolls of Dublin, Mich. Assembly, 1653, there was "a lease to J. Moorecroft, clerke, during the exercise of his ministry, of a piece of ground in St. Nicholas' Ste., lately in tenure of George Usher, containing in length 32 yds., in breadth 17 yds. at a peppercorn yearly."

1668. "George Usher, nuper fuit proprietor vil. et ter. de Rathconny, contin' 61 acr' et etiam de 40 al' acr' ib'm."

In 1671, George Usher and Alson his wife, and Ignatius Gough, exors. and admors. of the Wills of Patrick Gough, Ald. Dub. and William and Henry Gough, his sons, are mentioned in a Chancery Decree.

In MS. Vol. M, formerly in the Irish Record Tower, the names of George Usher and Alice, his wife, appear in the list of Innocents in Right of Wm. Gough, inhabitantof Dublin, for 457A. 3R. 17P. in the counties of Roscommon, Meath, Dublin and Kildare. Also that of Mary, relict of Walter Usher, for Meath and Dublin City. George Ussher, by his wife Alson, had issue :

(1) Patrick Ussher, mercht. of Dublin, deceased before 1740, m. first, Elizabeth, dr. of . . . Creagh; secondly a dr. of Sir Thady Duffe, Knt.; thirdly, Mary, dr. of Matthew Nulty, by whom he had issue, Alicia Ussher.

By his first wife he had issue:

[1] George Ussher, an eminent merchant of Dublin, who resided in Church Street, and died in 1758.
He m. first . . . who died April 20th, 1742; secondly, Ann . . . He had issue (but by which wife is uncertain) two sons.

- [1] John Ussher, alive in 1782.
- [2] Christopher Ussher, alive in 1782.
- [2] Stephen Ussher, a Jesuit Father in 1739, died in 1762.
- [3] Michael Ussher, gent., of Janeville, Co. Dublin, who, in his will, dated 1782, bequeathed to his nephew, John Usher, Esq., of Dublin, £200; to Miss Frances Segrave, dr. of Neal Segrave, Esq., of Cabra, £50, to Eleanor Segrave, £50.

A deed of July 25th, 1740, recites that George Usher of Dublin, mercht., and Stephen and Michael Usher, gents, and co-heirs of Patrick Usher, Esq., decd., did assign to Honora Forster, milliner, for  $\pm 400$ , for ever the ground, formerly waste, but now built on, on the East side of Church Street, 91 ft. in depth to King's Inn Wall. Witnessed by Joseph Usher, of Dub., mercht.

- [4] Barbara Ussher, Dub., will proved 1765.
- [5] Mary Ussher m. . . . O'Fallon.
- [6] Ann Ussher m. . . . Collin.
- (2) John Ussher.
- (3) Ignatius Ussher, Captain in FitzJames' Infantry Regt., 1688.
- (4) Walter Ussher, Ensign in Lord Slane's Infantry Regt., 1688, perhaps the same Walter who was buried in St. Catherine's Church, Dublin, a R. Cath. priest (cf. Register, 15th December, 1698.)
- (5) Anne Ussher, wife of Colonel Con. Geoghegan, in Westmeath, married in 1673.
- (6) Bridget, probably wife of . . . Gernon, and mother of George and Bridget Gernon, minors.

A Chancery Decree of 1708 names as plaintiffs Patrick Usher and Bridget Gernon, als Usher, widow, and George and Bridget Gernon, minors, their guardian, Bridget.

- (7) Barbara Ussher.
- (8) Mary Ussher, m. first... Madden, of Dublin, mercht.; secondly, Bartholomew Hodges, of Dublin.

Walter Ussher and Mary Kenedy had issue :

- Christopher Ussher, gent, of Patrick Street, Dublin, died Novr., 1659, Dub., intest., gr. 13th March, 1660, m. Margaret . . . and had issue :
  - Elizabeth Ussher, bap. St. Nicholas Church Without, Dub., 1648.
  - (2) Wm. Ussher, born 1654, buried St. Nicholas Without, 1657.
  - (3) Jane Ussher, mentioned in the above gr. admon., died before 1665.
  - (4) Anne Ussher, bap. 1658 in St. Nicholas Without, Dub., 1658.

Perhaps Thos. Usher, buried in St. Nicholas Without in 1649, and to whose goods a gr. admon. was obtained by Christopher Usher of Dublin, 20th March, 1652, was a son of his.

Margaret Ussher, widow of Christopher Ussher, died in 1665. In the Dublin Will Book, p. 148, 1661-1665, is per will, as follows :

"Memorandum that in Jan. or Feb., 1664, Margaret Usher, late of the Parish of St. Nicholas Without the Walls, Dublin, decd., after shee had severall times and in severall particulars declared her affection with aboundant expressions of kindnes towards Margaret, the now wife of George Round, etc., and had declared that the sayd Margaret was the nearest kinswoman and relation shee had in the world, etc., did declare her last will nuncupative, in manner following :—I leave twenty shillings to the poore of the parrish wherein I now live, to be payd out of my goods. Item I give all my goods & c'teles unto my nearest kinswoman I have in the world, vizt. : Margaret Round, except one silver bowle which I bequeath unto Thomas Howell, as all soe one bed and boulster, one blankett, one cadow, one pair of sheetes, 3 pewter dishes, one pott, one pann which I leave unto Martha Bowker, as all soe one green Rideing hood which I bequeath unto Mary Crow." Grant to Margt. Price als Round, of admon. to Margaret Usher, late of St. Patrick Street, widow. 1st June, 1665.

> 3. Matthew Ussher, gent, of Clathrath, Co. Mcath, appointed executor to his father's will, m. Ismay . . . who

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obtained a grant admon. to his goods, 30th April, 1661. There is a Chancery Bill lodged by Matthew Ussher against his brother George, 25th February, 1657, in which he complains of the non-fulfilment by him of the said will.

- 4. John Ussher, Jesuit Father, born 1613, died in Dublin, 1698.
- Mary Ussher, buried in St. John's Church, Dublin, 1622 Perhaps the Mary Usher of St. John's parish m. 1639, by consistorial license to Edward Bentley, aurifier, of St. Werburgh's, was named from her, and a sister.
- 6. Anne Ussher, married John Brice, Mayor of Dublin, 1605, and had issue, Richard Brice.
- II. Henry Ussher, Primate of all Ireland, of whom in Chap. VI.
- III. Arland Ussher, the father of Primate James, of whom in Chap. VIII.
- IV. George Ussher, Freeman of Dublin, 1579, born c. 1558, died January, 16%, merchant of Dublin. In 1585, "a lease was made to George Usher for 41 years of a shop lately built near the High Conduit beginning this last Michaelmas, rent 41s., he to find a Lanthorn with candlelight from 6 to 9 o'clock to light passengers." (Dub. Assembly Rolls.) He married Æneas, dr. of . . . Kenan, and had issue:
  - 1. Gerald Ussher, Freeman of Dublin, 1593, m. Alice, dr. of ... Nugent, and died before his father.
  - 2. Rose Ussher, wife of George Devinish, by whom she had a son, Edward Devinish. Doctor Arthur, of Limerick, in his diary, 1627, 12th February, writes: "Georgius Deuonish, Senator, Dub., pro uxore hijdrope detenta ob intempestivä Pochioru alborũ a partu suppressionem.

18th February, Georgius Deuonish, pro) £1 0 0 5 predicta uxore - 0 0 14th July, Georgius Deuonish, pro uxore 50 0"

- 3. Jane Ussher, m. . . . Corbally.
- Katherine Ussher, m. Richard Duffe, water-bailiff of Dublin. who died 1634, leaving issue: (1) Edward. (2) Patrick,
   (3) George. (4) John. In his will be desires to be buried in

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St. Audoen's Church, "in the ancient buryall place of my fourfathers and ancestors;" leaves "to wife Katherine Duffe, alias Ussher, the lease of the house now inhabited by myself so long as she remains the widow of Mr. Richard Duffe; if she marry, only  $\frac{1}{3}$ , and  $\frac{2}{3}$  between my children. To my wife the grand close of ye. Keyage granted by the citie unto Edward Ball, to the use of Robert Ball, Alderman, under whose tythe of right I enioie the same."

In a Chancery Decree, 1643, Katharine Duffe recovered £40 and £10 per ann. from the Water-bailiffs of Dublin out of the profits of office of Waterbailiff and Sergent at Mace, Dublin, provided that in these troublesome times there be enough.

- Cecilia Ussher, m.... Tankard. In 1637 Edward Tankard was assessed in St. Audoen's parish for the parson's stipend. Wm. Tankard too was son of Nicholas Tankard, who died 1601. Cecilia m. secondly, Robert Linacre, Sheriff of Dublin, who died 25 Dec., 1620, and by whom she had issue: Stephen, Elizabeth and Frances.
- 6. Mary Ussher.
- 7. Ales Ussher, m. . . . Knox.
- V. Christopher Ussher, Ulster King of Arms and Principal Herald of Ireland, born c. 1556, entered the University of Cambridge in 1579. In T.C.D., MS. 3. 16. "Chropher Ussher reductus est in matriculâ universitate academiae Cantabr. an. dni. 1579 termino pasch. Matthæus Stokes."

According to Cooper's Athenæ Cantab., he was "educated in Trin. Hall., Camb., where he proceeded B.A., 1582. He was in 1586 convened before Dr. Tyndall, Vice Chancellor, and Dr. Still, Justices of Peace, for having spoken words derogatory to the Queen's authority and title. The case against him failed and he was acquitted, although the Judges deemed it expedient to give him a godly exhortation to be circumspect and wise in talking of princes' matters. In the same year he took LL.B. On the 30th June, 1588 by patent he was made Ulster King of Arms (third in succession from the founding of the office) and Principal Herald of the whole

Kingdom of Ireland, also, *though a layman*, Archdeacon of Armagh. He died unmarried 25th June 1597." From the Cal. Pat. Rolls Eliz., 1597, we find that Christopher Ussher as Ulster King had 40 marks a year and fees, which was to be continued to his successor Daniel Molyneux.

The will of Christopher Uscher, als. Ussher, proved 1597, is naturally an interesting and valuable document. It runs as follows :---

"I Xpr. Ussher hibs Ulster, though sick in bodye yet wnole in mynd and of p'fect memorie, do make this day my last will and Testament in manner and forme following: ffirste I bequeath my soul to Almighty God, who of nought hath made and sent his onely sonne to redeme me by the shedding of his most p'cious blod on the crosse, and his holy spirit to illuminate and guide me, from whom prod'eth any good, and looke onely to be saved by him and doubt not, constantlie beleve whensoever he shall call me out of this transitorie life to see him with these eyes in his Kingdome p'pared for me as one of his elect to be saved. 2ndly, I bequeathe my body to be buried in St. Johne's my p'sh church, in some convenient place in the chancell by my father Thomas Ussher.

Debts that I do owe.

Itm—I do owe unto my brother John Ussher, ) as appeareth by his shopp booke f.

Itm—to John Withers uppon certayne p'cells of plate, viz., a silver bowle wth a cover dobble guilt, London toach; a salt wth a cover dobble guilt and a silver bottle in paune of fyve pounds to be payed to last day of St. Michaelmas terme next, v lb.

## Debts due to mc.

Itm—James Carrott servaunt to Mr. Gopper hath a concordatum of myne of vii lb. to be paid by his man, wh'ch I do owe him 111 lb. who also hath my bill for the thre pounds. Itm—John Michell, Attendant to the Erle of Ormond, oweth by his specialtie or bill, xxx<sup>s</sup>. st.

Itm—John Ratleff, scholemaster oweth by bill as appereth, xxxi<sup>s.</sup> st. whereof there is paid xi<sup>s.</sup> vi<sup>d.</sup> st.

Knightes ffeoes to me dew.

Itm-Sir Geffrye ffenton for his ffeo, etc., xxx<sup>s.</sup> st.

Itm—Sir Nicholas Devereux, for his fee and for w'ch I gave Mr. Maxeston an acquittance to receave the sum and as yet unretorned nor satysfied, xxx<sup>s</sup> st

Itm-Sir George Cowley for his ffee p'r'mised to be paid the last q'ter, xxx<sup>s.</sup> st.

Itm—Sir Henry Owtridge, some tyme an undertaker in Mounster, for his ffee, xxx<sup>s.</sup> st.

2. Itm—Sir Richard Wingfeld, for his ffee,  $xxx^{s.}$  st. Itm—Sir . . . Chichester for his ffee  $xxx^{s.}$  st. for ffunerall chardges yet dew. Itm—Mrs. MecEwey, for my service and attendance, in her Maj's rich coate, at the funerall off her former husband, Mr. Mare,  $xxvi^{s.}$  viii<sup>d.</sup> st. Itm—Mr. Edward Loftus and Mr. Gifford for the like s'vice at Sir Henrye Duke, there ffather's funerall,  $xi^{s.}$  st. (Mr. Cusacke of Lessmollan for his father's funerall,  $xi^{s.}$  st. fro' 3 gold nobbes for my fee and  $x^{s.}$  st., my horse hiere)  $xxxvi^{s.}$  viii<sup>d.</sup> Itm—I will that my plate shall be sold to the most advantadge onely reserving to my mother in a token my lyttle s'iver water bottell.

I will also yt. my housh'd stuff be sold and in like sorte my bookes accdg to the bequestes before graunted.

Itm—I will and hereby ordayne my beloved brother George Ussher, my sole and alone executor of this my Testament, and allow him a cloake to attend my charges.

Itm—I will that my mourning gowne and heid be given Athlone purcovant at armes to goe before my corpes in his cote of armes. And to make me eight scochiones off armes in mettall uppon bockany or ten off a tannysh w'ch he had off me, for wch he shall have given me his a book off armorie newlie transcribed and written for himself.

Itm—Whereas I have a gold ring of old Mrs. Deudly in pawne off vii<sup>s</sup>vi<sup>d</sup> st. I will the same to be restored to the oyoyner as my free gift and guilt from the debte, flurther I ordayne and appoynte my nephew, Lancellot Money the overseer off this my last will and Testament, that all thinges be done and p'formed according my trew and playne meaning. In witness wher-off I have hereunto sett to my hande and seale, the xxx<sup>s</sup> off May, 1597.

Witnesses p'sent at the signing, sealing, and p'fecting of this will, Ulster.

La. Money, p'bend of St. Michaeles, Dublin.

J. Geydon, Margaret Stanihurst."

Christopher Ussher was buried, according to his will, in St. John's Church, Dub., 25th June, 1597.

VI. Rose Ussher, sixth child and eldest dr. of Thomas and Margery Ussher, m. first, John Money, Ald., Mayor of Dublin, 1550, by whom she had issue: Lancelot and Alice. In 1594-9 Lancelot Money, clerke, was Custos of St. Stephen's; it was ordered that "he shall be good unto the poore, and discharge the cure as becoming St. Bride's Asskole." Lancelot Money mentioned in the will of Christopher Ussher as his nephew, was named in the Charter of Trin. Coll. as one of the first three Fellows. Rose Ussher, m. secondly, John Garvey, Dean of Christ Church, and afterwards Archbishop of Armagh, who had previously md. Joana, dr. and heir of John Money, Alderman of Dublin, and by her had had issue: 1. Lancelot Garvey, who m. Alice Passefield. 2. Alson Garvey, m. Walter Harold, decd. before 1612, leaving issue, Redmond and Marie Harold.

Rose Ussher, als. Garvey, died Dec, 1612, and was buried in Christ Church, Dublin. Her will (Dub. Dioc.) nuncupative, says:

"Mem.—That on or about the 9th day of June, in the year 1612, Rose Usher, als. Garvie, of the cittie of Dublin, widow, made a nuncupative will, bodie to be bur'd in Christ Church by the rest of her firiends. Itm—To nephew Walter Usher, a damaske table cloth and towell. Itm—Her plate, all her linen and woollen beddinge, bedsteads, brasse and pewter to her sd nephew Walter Ussher, to pay her debts, to see her well buried. Itm—To Marie Harold, daughter to Walter Harrould of Dublin, gen., decd., farme of the Kill, als. the Kill of Grange of Clonkuen, d'ing life onelie, and after to Redmond Harrold and his assignees, sonn unto Walter Harrold, gent., decd." In presence of Walter Usher, of Dub., Ald. and others. Proved xi. Feb., 1614.

John Garvey, the second husband of Rose Ussher, born in the Co. Kilkenny, and educated at Oxford, was first made Archdeacon of Meath, and in 1565, Dean of Christ Church, Dublin, and a Privy Councillor. He was appointed Bishop of Kilmore in April, 1585, and held the Deanery of Christ Church still by dispensation. On the 10th of May, 1589, he was translated to Armagh, and still held the Deanery. He died in Dublin on the second of March, 1594,

and was buried in Christ Church. He was a very hospitable and benevolent man, and so had permittal of 1st fruits, £137 13s. 1d. from the Government. A pedigree of the Garvey family is in T.C.D., MS. F. 4. 18. "Fyntan Garvey de Mergage, in Co. Mayo, m. Eliz. Cogane de familiâ Galynge de Athleane, in Co. Mayo, and had issue: I. Thomas m. Sabrina f . . . Walsh, in Co. Mayo, and had issue: 1. Denes, m. Gormalina Dowdall e familia de Ardglas in Tinnahinov, and had issue : (1) Joannes, m. Fyllonckia, als. Fynolla Butler de familia de Bonessoulby, and had issue: [1] Joannes, Decan. Eccl. Trin., Dub., m. 1st, Margt. f. Xpri. Plunket, m. 2ndly, Joanna f. & h. of Jo. Money, Ald., Dub., by whom he had issue, Lancelot and By his first wife Archbishop Garvey had issue; 1. Christopher Alson. Garvey of Lehinch, m. Ann f. . . . Walsh de Kilgobbin, by whom he had John, m. . . f. Burk, gt., Co. Mayo. Antony and James. 2. Wm. 3. Jo. 4. Henry. 5. Anthony. 6. Thos. 7. Genet, m. Jac. FitzJohn of Fianstown. 8. Marian, m. Walter f. . . . Walsh de Shanganah. 9. Mary, m. 1st, Aspill f. de Aspillde Kimlestowne. m. 2ndly, Edmund Wellesley."

The following letter written by Archbishop Garvey is in T.C.D., MS. E. 3. 16.

"After my hartie comendacõns and ffor as muche as I am somewhat caused wheareby I am not able to travell thether myself and that I think my brother Chröper Uscher is not able to com thither convenientlie by reason of the Kinges Marshealls buriall I thought goode therefore to require you and hereby to aucthorise you in the absence of Mr. Uscher to supply my roum or place there, and w'th all to certifie unto Denis Culleame that I have appointed this bearer, David hurlie, my Register there for this p'nte Visitacõne and otherwise duringe my pleasure and to receave suche ffies as is or shal be due to me there or elsewheare, wherefore I require you to use him and none ells as my Register there and that you see that Denis Culleame doe deliver him my rente tayle and suche other instruments, monuments, resceipts, acts and records, as belongeth unto me. Even soe I bid you hartellie well to fare, Dublin this viiith of february, 1590.

" Yor. lovinge frende,

"Jo. Armachanus."

- VII. Ales Ussher, second daughter of Thomas and Margery Ussher, died a maid, 23rd of Nov., 1607, aged above 60, and was buried in Christ Church, Dublin. Probably she and her sister Katherine were the two blind Aunts who taught James Ussher to read.
- VIII. Katherine Ussher died about 1613, at Termonfeighan and was buried with her sisters in the Lady Chapel of Christ Church, Dublin. Her will proved 9th Feb., 1613, is as follows:

"In the name of God, Amen. I Katherine Uscher of the citty of Dublin gentlewoman, being sicke in body, yett in p'fect memory, God's name be praysed and blessed evermore, do make this my last will and Testament, in manner and fforme ffollowinge : ffirst I bequeath my soule unto Almightie God, my Creator, and my body to be buryed in the Lady Chappell in Christ Church in Dublyn, by my sisters. Item-My will is yt. my nephue James Uscher shall have the house in the flishe streete in Dublin, where Mr. Sexton now dwelleth: the writinge whereof I gave unto himselfe, and farther it is my will yt he shall have the interest yet unexpired in the house wherein my Lady forth now dwelling in St. Nicholas Streete in Dublin aforesd. Item-My will is that my cozen Margaret Uscher, dr. unto my nephue Luke Uscher, shall have all such interest as I have in the Tythes of Stalorgan. Item-I doe leave unto my nephue Marke Uscher, my silver guilt and silver goblett. Item-I doe leave with my nephue Walter Uscher my silver beaker and the silver goblett I boughte of himselfe. Item-I do leave with my nephue Robert Uscher, in the Colledge, a ffeather bed, a payr of sheets, a caddowe, a pillow beer and a chest. Item-I do leave with my neece, Jane Uscher, alias Ball. my silver guilt Tankard. Item-I doe leave with my neece Ales Uscher a table cloth, halfe a dozen of napkins and two silver spoones. Item-I doe leave wth. my neece Margerie Uscher a table clothe, half a dozen of napkins and 2 silver spoones. Item-I do leave to my neece Mary Uscher, alias Kelly, one payer of sheets and one dozen of napkins. Item-I doe leave with my neece Sissie Uscher, alias Tankard, one pr. of sheets and one dozen napkins Item-I doe leave with my neece Marie Uscher, alias Lynneker, one pr. of sh'ts and one dozen of Napkins. Item-I doe leave with my neece, Katherine Uscher, alias Duffe, my best broade cloth gowne guarded. Item-I doe leave

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with my neece, Ales Uscher, alias Knox, the gownd I had of my sister Rose. Item—I doe leave with my neece, Jane Uscher, alias Corbelly, my brasse pann; yt is with Anne Allen. Item—I doe leave my servants, Marie Duffe and Janet Myssett, to the discretion of my nephue Luke Uscher, whom I make and appoynt my sole executor. Item—I doe leave unto the said Luke Uscher, my executor, the interest of my dwelling house in Dublin, and whatever goods, moveble or immoveble, I have or of right ought to have, excepting that which I have formerly bequeathed by this my will and last Testament and doe require him to carrie me to Dublin to be Buried." This is the true will and last Test't of Mrs. Katherine Uscher, made in Termonfeighan in the presence of us whose names ensueth, dated the xxii nd of August, A.D. 1613. EDMOND MOREGANS.

Lu. Ufcher, Pr. 9 Feb., 1613. mk. X

#### CHAPTER VI.

PRIMATE HENRY USSHER AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Pedigree of the family of Henry Ussher.

PRIMATE HENRY USSHER, m. Margery Eliot, and had issue :

I. MARCUS USSHER, of Balsoon, M.P., of whom in the next chapter.

II. Ambrose Ussher, d. y.

III. Thomas Ussher, d. 1610, m. Ellinor . . .

IV. Rev. Archdeacon Luke Ussher, m. Mary O'Connor, and had issue:

I. Rev. Arland Ussher, Rector of Termonfeckin.

11. Christopher Ussher, d. s. p.

III. Toby Ussher, m. Margaret . . .

IV. Francis Ussher.

v. The Rev. Wm. Ussher, Rector of Killincoole, m. Margaret Park.

vi. Margaret Ussher, m. Archdeacon Edmond Donnelan.

vII. Dorothy Ussher, m. Joseph Travers.

1x. Christian Ussher, m. Benjamin Bolton.

VIII. Susanna Ussher, m. 1st, Archdeacon George Wright, 2ndly, . . . Sleg.

V. John Ussher, of Baltray, m. Martha
1. Captain Henry Ussher, m. Elizabeth Berford.
VI. Matthew Ussher, m. Margaret
VII. Richard Ussher, m. Mary Ashe, of Trim, and had issue:
I. Luke Ussher.
VIII. Right Rev. Robert Ussher, Bishop of Kildare, m. Jane Kynaston,
and had issue:
1. Edward Ussher.
11. Maud Ussher, d. y.
111. Theophilus Ussher, d. y.
IV. Margery Ussher.
v. Mark Ussher.
vi. Sarah Ussher.
IX. Jenet Ussher, m. Robert Ball of Dublin, and had issue.
X. Rose Ussher, m. Sir Edward Trevor, and had issue.
Primate Henry Ussher, m. 2ndly, Mary Smith, and had issue: (she m.
2ndly, Wm. FitzWilliams of Dundrum.)
XI. Margery Ussher.
XII. Mary Ussher, m. 1. Robert Witherall, 2ndly, John Jeeves.
XIII. Ellinor Ussher.
THOMAS and MARGERY USSHER had issue:
II. Henry Ussher (of whose life a short sketch is given by Ware in
his Antiquities of Ireland), probably born c. 1550. He was
(acc. Wood's Athenae Oxonienses), "Coll. Magd. admissus in

matriculam Acad. Cantab., Maii, a<sup>o</sup> 1567." Henry Usher, Coll. Magd., A.B., Ann, 1569-70. "In the beginning of 1572 he went to Oxford, settled in University Coll., and was incorporated and took the same degree in the beginning of July, 1572, and in a few days after was licensed to proceed in Arts, which degree being completed by standing in the Act, he made some continuance here, studied the theological faculty, and laid a sure foundation therein by the helpe of divers noted men then in the University, among whom Doctor Humphrey and Doctor Holland were two." He

afterwards studied in Paris. He was probably ordained about 1574, and seems to have soon made his mark in the Irish Ware says: "He was first promoted to the Church. Treasurership of Christ Church, Dublin, and on the Saturday before St. Patrick's Day, 1580, he was admitted into the Chapter House and installed Archdeacon of Dublin, and on St. Patrick's Day, in St. Patrick's Cathedral, likewise; by means of Adam Loftus, then Archbishop, he was made Rector of Taney, Rathfarnham, Donnybrook and Kilgobbin, being the Corps of the Archdeaconry. He laboured greatly about the erection of Trinity Coll., near Dublin, and was the agent sent to England to present a petition to Queen Elizabeth and to solicit the matter in that behalf. He obtained a Mortmain License for the lands granted by the city of Dublin for the site of the said college, and in reward was nominated the first Fellow." Dr. Thos. Smith in his life of James Ussher, published in Latin in 1707, has a paragraph entitled "The Praises of Henry Ussher." He says that he knows he would not be pardoned if he said too little about what Ireland owes to that great and illustrious man. "First, he so lucidly, and with such strength of arguments defended the rights of St. Patrick's Church (which Perrot meant to turn into a college), that he averted that dire omen. The difficulties too about the founding of Trin. Coll., Dub., were so great, the delays so long, that the Irish Parliament thought then that none was more worthy than Henry Ussher. or more suitable found to plead before the Queen the cause of So he joyfully went to England in 1590, sparing no it. expense, avoiding no labours." In 1594, he was appointed Vice-Provost of Trinity College, Dublin.

The following interesting notices of him appear in the the Calendars of Irish State Papers for 1574, 1585 and for 1591:

Lord Justice Loftus to Walsyngham, September 12th, 1583, mentions-"The backwardness of the City of Waterford in causes of religion. Thos. Jones, Dean of St. Patrick's; Dr. Robt. Conway, Chancellor of Christ Church,



### PRIMATE HENRY USSHER, D.D.,

Lord Archbishop of Armagh (1595-1613).

From a Photograph of the Painting at Armagh Palace.

Dublin; and Archdeacon Henry Ussher, were successful in their preaching there. The citizens lament that they have not one preacher amongst them." November, 1584, Sir John Perrot to Walsingham:

"Henry Ussher sent over to cross King James' plot for the two Universities."

No. 56. December 31st, 1584. Mention of a Petition of the Prebendaries of St. Patrick's to the Privy Council to stay the dissolution of that Cathedral. This was probably presented by Ussher on November 16th.

No. 58. "Rd. Tomeson, Treasurer of St. Patrick's, and Archdeacon Henry Ussher are the only preachers in Ireland."

[The learned Bishop of Down, Dr. Reeves, informs me that Henry Ussher could preach in Irish.] Vol. CLXI.

May, 1591. Memo. by Archbishop Loftus to ask for a new grand Seal of Ireland to be sent over by Archdeacon Usher.

November 4th, 1591. The Lord Deputy and Council to the Privy Council in favour of the bearer, Mr. Henry Uscher, Archdeacon of Dublin. They recommend to them the creation of the College with such degrees of learning as in the Colleges in the Universities of England are used.

January 13th, 159<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>, Burghley's letter to the Lord Deputy says that "on the 1?th a warrant was delivered to the Archdeacon of Dublin for the erection of Trin. Coll. there."

In the case of the Queen (by Mr. Nugent) against Chief Justice Sir Robert Dillon, Mr. Henry Ussher, Archdeacon of Dublin, was examined as a witness.

Among the dignitaries of St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Archdeacon of Dublin, Mr. Henry Uscher, was paid £42 15s. 8d. per ann. In 1592, the Archdeaconry of Dublin was worth £11 15s. 2d. per ann.

In 1595, on the death of his brother-in-law, Primate John Garvey, Archdeacon Ussher was appointed by Queen's letter Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland, and was consecrated on the 23rd July in that year, a dignity justly due to his eminent abilities, learning and services. Over that See he presided until 1613, holding the Archdeaconry of Dublin in commendam by a License dated July 17th, 1595. Dr. Smith says: "He was promoted on account of his wisdom, holiness of life, learning and other gifts."

In a life of James Ussher, by Dillingham, written in Latin, and of which the MS. is in the Brit. Mus., he says :---- "Patruum Usserii Henricum Usserium, virum doctum et prudentem Cantabrigiae quidem in Angliâ bonarum literarum studiis institutum;" *i.e.*, the uncle of Ussher, Henry Ussher, a learned and prudent man, trained in the study of literature at Cambridge in England.

Archbishop Henry Ussher had a country estate and seat at Balsoon on the right bank of the Boyne, opposite to Bective Abbey. There, high over the river, he built a house of which the cellars still remain. Under the grass are pavements stretching towards the river. There is an old ruined church close by, which, according to the inscription on their tomb, was founded by Sir John Eliot, Baron of the Exchequer, and his first wife, Ismay Rochfort, and in which many of Henry Ussher's descendants are interred. In this church, on the 11th September, 1604, William Pilsworth was consecrated Bishop of Kildare, the Primate having retired there because the plague was then raging in Dublin.

In a Chancery Decree of 1594, Henry Ussher, as Plaintiff, recovered to him and his assigns from Patrick Archbald, Defendant, the towns and lands of Balsoon and Evestown with their appurtenances and £3 costs. In Father Hogan's edition of "The State of Ireland, 1598," among the principal gents of the "Bar. of Dece, Co. Meath, are Hen. Usher, Ld. Primate of Armagh, of Balstown, and Usher of Balsound."

Primate Ussher also resided a good deal at Drogheda and at Termonfeckin near that town, as the ecclesiastical buildings at Armagh were then in a ruinous condition. He was associated, as President, with the Commission appointed for the Ulster Plantation.

In 1611, July 4th, Andrew, Bishop of the Isles, writes to the Archbishop of Canterbury:—"Except the Lord Chancellor himself, the Archbishop of Tuam, Dr. Challoner and Mr. Ussher, he can name no man of the ministry in this kingdom who has knowledge or care to propagate the Evangell." A meeting of the Bishops was held in Dublin. "In this meeting they have done what they could. The Archbishop of Armagh, somewhat old and unable albeit, will mind it."—Cal. State Papers.

Henry Ussher died full of years, and greatly honoured and respected among the Irish, at Termonfeckin, on April 2nd, 1631, being Good Friday,

and was buried in the monument of his predecessors, Octavian de Palatio, Lancaster, and Long, in which also his successor, Christopher Hampton, was interred, in the Cathedral Church of St. Peter's at Drogheda. This monument probably perished when Oliver Cromwell burnt down the steeple of the church in 1649. It were much to be wished that some memorial of the last resting place of Henry Ussher, to whom Ireland and the Irish Church owe so much, could be erected instead of the one thus destroyed.

# The Prerogative Will of HENRY USSHER, Archbp. of Armagh, Lord Primate of Ireland (1595-1613).

Memorand y<sup>t</sup> the seconde day of Aprill in the years of the Lord 1613 Henry Uscher Lo. Prymat of all Irelande being of pfect mynd and memory & purposinge to make his last will & Testamente, made the same In manner and forme ffollowinge—

In the name of God Amen, I Henry Uscher Lo. Primatt of all Ierland, being sicke in body yet of p'fect memory God be therefore praysed doe make this my last will & testament in manner and forme ffollowing.

ffirst I bequeth my soule to Almighty God my Creator my Saviour and redeemer and my body to be Entered in St. Peter's Church at Droheda: in the mo'ment of my p'dicessores . that I doe leave and bequeathe and it is my will that my sonne Marcus Uscher being my eldest sonne and heire shall have to him and to his heires the tonne and landes of Balstowne and Eueston my pte of Draystown with all and singular there apptenning, and I doe bequeath unto him the leases in the hand of the Teythes of Kilmessane & Turolocks town in the county of Meathe & doe dissharge him his heires and assigns of all Accoumpts Reconinge and demande whatsoever fro' the beginings of the world untill this day that whereas I have formerly disposed of the Archdeconry of Dubline unto my sonne Luke Uscher & that he hath injoyed the hundred poundes English to be by him satisfied to my sonne Richard Uscher and forty pounds English to my sonne in law Captain Edward Trevor : And doe bequeath unto him ye 50 pounds English wh: is ought me by Philip Dowdall of Droheda, merchant: It: I will & my will is that my son John Uscher shall have my house in St Patrick's street wherein Arthur Brewerton & Will Woods now dwell he selling the rente thereof to the Churchwardens

of St Patrick Church and doe discharge him of all Accoumpts & Reconings whatsoever untill this day. I doe will and my will is that my son Mathew Uscher shall have freely unto him, all my goods & chattels whatsoever in hand at the making of this my will in the towne and fielde of Ardmagh, and about the same-and for arrears of Rente which are due to me my saide sonne Matthew to Acount for the same unto the overseers of this my will to the use and behoofe of my wife and three youngest children- It : I will and my will is that my sonne Richard Uscher shall that C<sup>n</sup> English formerly specified upon my sonne Luke Uscher together with the Lease which I have of the Teythes of Rathbegan & the interest which I have in Gormanston in the Co. of Meathe and that six score pounde English which John Ashe doth owe for the pfermente of his daughter Mary to my sayd sonne Richard. It : I doe give and bequeth to my sonne Robert Uscher the teythes of Kilbride & Cloghran Swords and Ballymore and I doe give & leave unto him all my books which I have, my Executors to deliver unto him presantly after my decease-It: I do give & bequeth to my well beloved wife And to my children Borne by her named Margery Mary & Ellinor All my goods & chattels movable and unmovable which I have in Tarmonfechane or about the same, and Wh: I have in my house of Droheda And my chest of Aparrell in Dublyne & C<sup>1b</sup> sterl or there about which is ought me by Henry Franklyne of Droheda Alderman. It: I will and my will is that my wife & my 3 younge children begoten upon here to be my Executors & that they doe accomplish this my will in all pte wh/ so fare as the same doth concerne them . It : I will and my desire is that my brother in law Sir John Elliott Knt & my well beloved sonne in law Captaine Edward Trevor to be the overseers of this my will and doe require them to use their best Indevores to see the same duely executed to the uttermost of their powers-

This will was made by worde of mouth by the above named Henry Uscher Lo Primatt of all Ireland the second day of Aprill Ann Dom 1613. before us whose names are here under writen, and we were Required to put the same in writinge which we accordingly did the same day, in manner & forme above expressed and in witness whereof have hereto sett our hands

Jo: Elvot

Mary U/cher

Edw: Trevor

Mar Uscher.

The Archbishop was twice married; first about 1573, to Margaret, dr. of Thomas Eliot of Balriske, Co. Meath, and his wife Elizabeth Smart; secondly, to Mary Smith, who survived him. By his 2nd wife he had issue three daughters, Margery, Mary and Elinor, of whom the second, Mary Ussher, m. Robert Witherall and had issue two sons and two daughters; viz., Dudley, the eldest son, Robert the 2nd son, died young. Beatrix, the elder dr., and Margery the 2nd dr. The above said Robert Witherall died at Enniskillen, 16th Sept., 1634, and was buried there. His relict m. John Jeeves of Drogheda, Alderman, by whom she had issue, Anne Jeeves, who m., as his 2nd wife, Walter Dawson, Esq., in 1680, from which a considerable property in Co. Armagh and Tyrone came to the Dawson family. Her husband was the ancestor of the Earl of Dartrey.

Primate Henry Ussher's 2nd wife, in 1614, re-married with William Fitz Williams, Esq., of Dundrum, who died 16th July, 1616, s. p. He was brother of Sir Thos. FitzWilliams, Knt., 1st Viscount Merrion and Fitz William.

In the Pat. Rolls. 13th Jac. I. we find a "Recognizance 27 July, 1614, whereby William Fitz Williams of Dundrum, Esq., Sir Thos. Fitz Williams of Merryong, Knt., in Dublin County, Patrick Cusack of Rathaldron in Co. Meath, Esq., and Henry Chevers of Muncton in Dublin County, bound themselves in the several sums of £300 by Wm., and £133 6s. 8d. by the others to Sir John Eliot and Capt. Edward Trevor, to the use of Margery, Mary and Elinor Usher, drs. of Henry Usher, Archbishop deceased, upon condition that where the said Wm. Fitz Williams had married Mary the relict of the sd Primate and in her right had taken upon him the execution of his will, whereby Mary and her children were appointed joint Executors : and whereupon deliberate consideration being had of the Estate of the said Lord Primate, by consent of the said Sir John Eliot and Capt. Trevor, and by order of Thomas, Archbishop of Dublin, Lord Chancellor of Ireland, it was decreed that Wm. FzWms. shd pay to Margery £150, and to Mary and Elinor £100 each at certain times laid down in sd order and decree."

The above Henry Chevers, 2nd son of J. Chevers of Macetown, m. Catherine, sister of Lord FitzWilliam. The FitzWilliams first came into Ireland with Prince John.

Primate Henry Ussher by his first wife, Margaret Smart, had issue :

I. Marcus Ussher, of Balsoon, Co. Meath, of whom below.

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II. Ambrose Ussher, born about 1674, mentioned in Arland Ussher's pedigree, and must have died young.

III. Thomas Ussher, of Patrick's Close, Dublin, who died in 1610.

In his will proved in Dublin, the 26th of May same year, he says:

"I Thomas Ussher, the unprofitable servant of God, both strong in body and mind, God be thanked &c.; while I live in the p'sh and close of St. Patrick's near Dublin, if I die, wish to be buried in said Church. I leave 20 shillings to the poor of St. Patrick's. Item—I gyve unto Mr. James Ussher tenn shillinges desiring him to preach at my burial." He also names his wife, Ellenor Usher, Signor Emanuel Philippi, mercht., of Farro in Portingal to whom he owes £33 15s. Od., Paul Greenwood, a Northern Clothier of Halifax, also a creditor, and my wife's trade of keeping of shoppe in the Exchange or otherwise.

It is not known whether Thomas Ussher left issue, but'it is possible that the persons mentioned in the following Cork Marriage bonds were a son and grandson of his, viz. :

Henry Usher of the p'sh of St. Mary Shandon, and Margaret, dr. of Tomas Stawell of Finbar, 20 May, 1635.

Thos. Usher of Shandon, mercht., and Sara, dr. of Jonas Morris of Cork, Alderman, 15 Sept., 1666.

An Ellinor Ussher, widow, was buried in St. Michan's, Dub., 14 Oct., 1662.

A Thomas Usher was also presented to a Crown living 8th Aug., 1637.

A branch of the Usshers was settled in the Co. Clare also, possibly descended from Thomas Ussher. Thus in the Charter of Incorporation of Ennis, 20th Oct., 1612, Thomas Usher is one of the burgesses named.

T.C.D. M.S., 2, 22, the Co. Clare Depositions, 1641, p. 690:

"Anna Margrett Vssher, the Relict of Thomas Ussher, late of Ballyma-Krincian, in the p'ish of Killyin, within the County of Clare, gentle, deceased, deposeth and saith that on or about Christmas last and since the beginning of this past rebellion in Ireland she was robbed and forceably dispoiled of her goods and chattles to the value of 944 lb., part consisting of debts amounting to the same of one hundred and twenty pounds due from the [persons] named.

"Michael Richforte, of Limbrick, merchant; Daniel McGorman, of

Fuchenchy, in the sd county, gentl.; Dominicke Bonfield, of Inishcathy, in the sd Co., m'chant; Henry Blackwell, of Killardan, in the sd County, gentl.; John O'Morrissa, of ye Laume drogh; Henry O'Morrissa, Nealen, labourer; Lawrence White, of Limbrick, merchant, and in actuall rebellion, therefore this deponent canott get satisfaction from them. The deponent saith that about Xmas last two hundred and ten yearlings steers and three of the deponents' cows were taken away by Patrick Conyre."

One Antony Ussher, Esq., of Donagarogue Castle, Co. Clare, perhaps son to Thomas, was besieged also by the rebels in 1641.

IV. The Rev. Luke Ussher, Archdeacon of Armagh. In the state of the Diocese of Meath, 28th May, 1622, by Bishop James Ussher, we read :

"Kentstown, in the countie of Meath, presentative. The Lord Baron of Dunsany, Patron. Mr. Luke Ussher, Batchelor of Arts, a preaching minister of good life and conversacion, value  $30^{11}$  st. He is Archdeacon of Ardmagh, and resideth in the dioces of Ardmagh. Mr. Wm. Warr, a reading minister of the countrey birth, a very old sickly man, is curate and resideth." In Henry Ussher's will it is mentioned that he had formerly disposed of the Archdeaconry of Dublin to his son Luke. Katherine Ussher, spr., in her will, 1614, witnessed by her nephew, Luke Uscher, leaves to Margaret Uscher, dr. of Luke, all such interest as she had in the tithes of Stalorgan, and to Luke, her executor, the interest of her dwelling house in Dublin, and whatever goods she has, with certain exceptions. She appears to have died in his house at Termonfeckin.

Archdeacon Luke Ussher died the 6th of November, 1632. A grant of his will nuncupative was made the 19th of November, 1632, to Mary Ussher als Connor, his widow.

He married Mary, dr. of Teige O'Connor, by whom he had issue :

 Rev. Arland Ussher, according to the Regal Visitation of 1633, was Rector of Clonmore, donatus de Drogheda, Arch'pus valet £30, and also of Heinestown, Dundalk, Arch'pus, valet £42. He was afterwards rector of Termonfeckin or Terfeckin, where he died s.p. in 1659. In his last will nuncupative, dated 9th July, 1659, he appointed his sisters

Margaret Donnelan als Usher, and Susanna Sleg als Usher, Exors., but he died before his will was written. The will was proved by them, 1665, witnessed by Wm. Barry, Clk.; Wm. Pilsworth, Clk., and James Grace.

- 11. Christopher Ussher, d.s.p., 1633.
- 111. Toby Usher, m. Margaret...
- IV. Francis Ussher.
- v. Rev. William Ussher, m. Margaret Park of Dungannon, Rector of Killincoole, Co. Louth, previously to 1641.

In his depositions made 9th March, 1642 (cf. T.C.D. MS. 3, 5), he says:

" I William Vscher, Rector of Killencoole, in Co. of Louth, and in the Bar. of Dondalke, have lost by this rebellion, and by these parties following these severall things.

Inp. in mouny lost and due, 211 pounds.

Item in plate a hundred pounds worth. £211 0 0 280 Item in corne in my haggard a hundred pds. worth. 0 0 165 0 0 Item in corne in ground fourscore pds. worth. 90 0 0 Item lost a hundred pds. a year. Item lost in books, fifteen pounds worth. Item in living and householde stuffe, fiftie pds. worth. 746 0 0 Item in cowes and horses, £50 worth. Item in apparell of my owne and my wife's, fortie pounds worth.

My plate, apparell, some of my cowes and two geldings being taken by Phellimie O'Nelle out of the Bar. of the Upper Dungannon, and the rest of my things being taken by Colle Matt Brien, Matt Maughone, the goods beeing in the custodie of one Patrick Beruen, Esq., and John Burke, gentleman, bouth the sayde men countie of Lowth, and in the Bar. of Dundalke.

Jurat, 9th March, 1642, John Sterne. Will: Vscher."

Wm. Hitchcocke.

VI. Margaret Ussher, m. Edmond Donnelan, Archdeacon of Cashel. VII. Dorothy Ussher, m. Joseph Travers of Benburb, Co. Tyrone.

- vIII. Susanna Ussher, m. first Rev. George Wright, ordained Deacon and Priest 6 Jan<sup>3,</sup> 1621; Archdeacon of Dromore, November 30th, 1629. In Dean Jones's Remonstrance concerning Church and Kingdom of Ireland, 4to, 1642, we read that— "Master Wright, Archdeacon of Dromore, had his house which cost him much, burnt. I saw himself, his wife and 2 children in extreme misery at Charlemont, from whence they journeyed to Kinard, 1641." Susanna m. secondly... Sleg.
  - 1x. Christian Ussher, m. Benjamin Bolton, youngest son of Lord Chancellor Bolton.

Mary Ussher, als Connor, relict of Archdeacon Luke Ussher, died (accg. to the Ulster Ped.) in 1640. There is a grant of admon. of the goods of Mary Usher, late of Ganderstown, in the parish of Terfeckin, Co. Louth, widow, to Nicholas White, of Dublin, merchant, husband of Margery White als Barry, pronep., etc., of the defunct 20th December, 1677; and also a Chancery decree for Mary Usher of Termonfeckin, widow, Plaintiff, against George Thomas, of same, Defendant, Clk., Plaintiff to recover £40 with interest and cost. Injunction to issue for payment, Termonfeckin, 21st April, 1635.

Possibly descendants of Luke Ussher may still be in the Co. Louth, for in January, 1888, a will dated 4th March, 1887, Probate to Jas. Ussher, 28th January, mentions that John Ussher, farmer, late of Barmaltin, Co. Louth. who died 20th December, 1887, left bequests for R. Catholic charitable objects.

V. John Ussher, of Baltray, in the parish of Termonfeckin, near

Drogheda, m. Martha, dr. of Thomas . . . and had issue :

 Captain Henry Ussher, Lieut., 1649, afterwards of Sutton, near Howth, m. Elizabeth, dr. of Michael Berford, of Kilrue (and his wife, Margaret, dr. of Sir Christopher, 22nd Baron of Howth, who deceased 16th February, 1610), who died 10th May, 1658, and by whom he had a daughter, Maria Ussher.

The prorog. will of Elizabeth Usher als Berford, of Sutton, Co. Dublin, pr. 25th August, 1662, mentions "my present husband, Captain Henry Ussher," and bequeaths "£4 to Mr. John Walker, which I borrowed before my last marriage, and £10 to him that he dispose of it for pious uses for my •

soule. Also 3 barrels of corn to the poor when corn comes in. £5 to Mr. John Walker that he may remember me; a silk gown and petticoat to sister Gernon; handkercher and Holland apron to my sister Cecilia; a curled hood a small scarf, item my lame handle to sister Brigide; to Mary FitzWilliams, a gorgette; item to Mary Barrett my old sarge gowne and petticoat; my red waistcoat to my maid Margt, my enamelled ring to my nurse; my Holland smocke and head clothes unto Mrs. Geoghegan. Item my long riding scarfe and my sadle cloth and cushion to my mother; my husband Henry Usher to be executor. 1st May, 1658. Elizth. Usher." Witnessed by Cisly Berford, John Winter, Captain Henry Usher of Warrenstown, Co. Meath.

Bridget FitzGerald als Berford, Marie Garland als Berford, of . . . wid. and of Cisile Berford.

There is also mention in it of Michael Berford,\* decd., father of the defunct.

VI. Matthew Ussher, decd. 1667, of Carentele, Co. Tyrone, m. Margaret . . . and had issue.

A prerog. gr. admon. of the goods of Matthew Ussher, arm. intest., was obtained 4th Oct., 1667, by Mary Jacob, als Jones, his grandchild, and a gr. of the goods of Margaret Usher, wid. intest., by Thomas Jacob, gent., Dublin, late husband of Mary Jones, als Jacob, grandchild and nearest of blood, 15th Oct., 1669.

VII. Richard Ussher, m. Mary, dr. of John Ashe of Trim. In the will of Primate Henry Ussher, he leaves Richard £100 English and the lease of the Tithes of Rathbeggan, and his interest

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<sup>•</sup> There is a pedigree of the Berford family in T.C.D. MS., F 4, 18: Galfrid de Bratford, vel Braeford, nunc Birford, had issue, Roger de Birford, who had Walter de Kilrow and de Donaghmore, juxta le Navan, who had Roger, father of: I. Walter de Birford, had issue: 1. Thos., father of Ann, m. Rt. Bar. de Howth. 2. Joan m. Rd. White of Clongell. II. Simon de Birford, father of 1. Roger B. of Kilrow (1363, 1372). 2. Edunond. 3. Jo., father of Rd. 4. Rd., father of Thos., 1363. III. Edm. de B., had issue: 1. Jo. had Rd., who had Edmd., 1363, father of Margery, m. Jo. Rochfort de Kilbride. 2. Martin, s.p. 1363. Roger of Kilrow, had issue: (1) Simon of Kilrow, father of [1] Christopher B. m. Joan Petit, and had issue: Thos. B. of Kilrow m. Jenet Eustace, and had Ann, dr. and h., m. 1st, Birmingham, and 2ndly, Nich., Ld. Howth. By Birmingham she had issue; Anne m. Chrpr., 17th Ld. Howth, and had Joan, m. Rt. Preston of Balmadum. Chrpr. B. had 2ndly, Edm., m. Birt. and had issue: Simon Berford de Kilrow m. Kath. dr. of Nic. Cusack, of Gerardstown, and had issue: 1. Rd. Berford m. Jenet Eustace. 2. Thos. 3 to 12. Nine daughters.

in Gormanstown, Co. Meath. Richard Ussher died in 1616, according to the Ulster Pedigree, but this may be a mistake, as we find Luke, son of Richd. Usher, generosus, born in 1623 at Kilmenah, entered T.C.D. in 1641.

VIII. Robert Ussher, Provost of Trinity College, Dublin, and Bishop of Kildare; born about 1592. The earliest mention of him is in the will of his Aunt Katherine Ussher, 1613, in which she says, "I doe leave with my nephue Robert Uscher, in the Colledge, a ffeather bed, a payr of sheets, a caddowe, a pillow beer and a chest." His father by his will in the same year bequeaths to him the tithes of Kilbride and Cloghran, Swords and Ballymore, and gives him all his books.

He was admitted a Fellow of Trin. Coll., Dub., October 3, 1611.; B.A. Aest. 1612; M.A., 1614; was Vice Provost in 1615; B.D., Aest. 1621. In 1617 he was made Prebendary of St. Audoen's, Dublin; on Oct. 23 in same year was appointed Rector of Ardstraw and Ardtrea; he became Rector of Shankill or Lurgan, 1629; was Prebendary of Dromaragh, May 18, 1624; was elected Provost of T.C D., Oct. 16, 1629; sworn Provost, Jan. 4, 1630, resigned Aug. 11, 1634, and for many years after was Pro-vice-Chancellor of the University of Dublin. In 1634 he was inducted into the Archdeaconry of Meath, and was consecrated Bishop of Kildare 25th February, 1635.

A Latin letter and set of verses addressed by him to James Ussher, about 1630, are found in Dr. Parr's Collection (see Appendix).

Robert Usher was appointed Provost by the Fellows of Trinity College, Dublin, with the King's sanction, they having first to pay into the King's Exchequer a sum of £10. Robert Ussher, though a Divine of great piety and of a most amiable disposition, yet through lack of firmness in ruling the troublesome inmates of the College, was rather a failure. Under these circumstances the Irish Primate, who had recommended his cousin for the post, applied to Laud to intervene, that the Provost "who is of too soft and gentle a disposition to rule so heady a company" might be removed. Robert Ussher retired from the contest readily, accepting the Archdeaconry of Meath.

"He was," says Ware in a MS., "a Prelate orthodox, unblamable, learned, of a meek, modest, conscientious and gentle behaviour. He was an

enemy to all Theatrical Representations, and would not admit them into the College, according to former practice, untill he was in a manner commanded by the Lords Justices. He was a constant and assiduous Preacher, and remarkable for his Pulpit abilities, which he continued to his death, even after he fled from the fury of the Irish Rebellion." "He took great pains," says Harris, "in solliciting the Parliament for an act for the recovery of the lands of his Bishopric, aliened by Craik and Pilsworth, though without success."

On the 21st of Jan., 1635, Robert Ball leaves his son and heir "bound unto ye Reverend father in God Robert Usher, Doctor of Divinitie and Bp. of Kildare," in  $\pounds 1,000$  to the use of his younger children. The will is witnessed by Robert Usher.

Wherever the Bishop was living at the Rebellion of 1641, he must have fallen into great trouble, for he fled to England, and died at the house of his wife's kinsman at Pantabirsly or Plas Warren, near Ellesmere in Co. Salop, on the 7th Sept., 1642. Ware gives the following epitaph as on his grave in the Chancel of Doddleston Chapel near Oswestry:

"Here lieth the Body of that constant and faithful Preacher of God's Word, the Right Reverend Father in God, ROBERT, Lord Bishop of Kildare, son of Henry, Lord Primate of all Ireland, who died at Pantabirsly, Sept. 7th, A.D. 1642."

The writer is indebted to Rev. W. Reynell for an interesting quotation from the *Shropshire Gazetteer*, Wem., Salop, 1824, page 133: "An Irish *Arch*bishop who was on a visit at Plas Warren was taken ill and died, and is buried within Doddleston Church in Ellesmere Parish."

Robert Ussher, m. before 1623 Jane, eldest dr. of Francis Kynaston of Pantabirsly in Shropshire, afterwards of Saull, Co. Down, and his wife Katherine, dr. of John Trevor, Esq., of Brynkynalt, Co. Denbigh (whose younger dr., Magdalen Kynaston, m. Rev. Joslin Ussher, the Bishop's nephew).

He had issue by her:

1. Edward Ussher, born at Balsoon, on March'3, 1623, entered T.C.D. from the school of St. Patrick's, as a scholar, in 1638.

Though little more is known of him, he may have been the father of an Edward Usher of Magheralin near Lurgan, Co. Down, who was buried in

Donagheloney churchyard, 7th Nov., 1715, and if so, was the ancestor of a large branch of the family settled as linen weavers in Magheralin parish, down to the beginning of this century (see Magheralin Parish Registers).

In the Diary of a Roman Catholic, Doctor Arthur (cf. Journ. Kilkenny Archæol. Soc., 1867). "10th & 13th Sept, 1632, Doctor Rob. Vssher pro suo filio Edwardo," 10s. each time. Also, "Doctor Robertus Vssher p ancilla, 9 Jun, 1627, 7s. 0d., Doctor R. Vssher p'dict' 16 Aug. 10s. Doctor R. Vssher, 1630, 12 Aug., 10s. 6d. Doctor Rob. Vssher p affine suo, 23 feb. 1631, 6s. 0d. Dr. Rob. Vssher, 3 April, 10/-, 5 April, 10s. Doctor Rob. Vssher pro ux, 6 Dec. 1632, for wife's sister, 21 Oct., 1632."

11. Maud Ussher, buried in St. Audoen's, 20th April, 1637.

- 111. Theophilus Ussher, son of Rob. Bp. of Kildare, bpt. 10th Jan. 163<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub> in St. Michan's Church, Dub., bur'd. Nov. 29, 1638.
- IV. Margery Ussher, bap. 29th June, 1639.
- v. Mark Ussher, bap. 9th Oct., 1640.
- vi. Sarah, dr. of Edward (?), Lord Bp. Usher, bap. 11th Oct., 1642, at Oswestry.

There were probably others born before 1637.

- IX. Jenet Ussher, d. 5th June, 1620, wife of Robert Ball, Alderman and Mayor of Dublin, d. 1635, by whom she had issue :
  - 1. Mary Ball, born 1602, m. James Kerdiffe.
  - 11. Walter Ball, born 1603, died v.p.
  - 111. William Ball, Captain in Lord Castlestewart's Regt. of Foot, afterwards a barrister, and M.P. for Kells, m. Ellinor Bisse, and had issue who died young.
  - IV. George Ball of Dublin, born c. 1608, d. 1636, m. Jane . . . and had issue :
    - Robert Ball, of Ballygall, Co. Dublin, and of Drogheda, m. Anne. dr. of Ald. John Desmynieres, 2nd Lord Mayor of Dublin, and had issue :
      - (1) Jane Ball m. Ald. Edward Dudgeon.
      - (2) Anne Ball m. Paul Espinasse.

- (3) George Ball of Ballsgrove, Drogheda, born 1678,
  d. 1760, m. Mary Roe, and had issue: Robert Ball of Ballsgrove; Capt. George Ball, grandfather of Sir John Ball Greene, C.B., Chief Commissioner of Valuation, Irelaud; and other children.
- (4) Capt. John Ball, of Churchill's Dragoons.
- (5) Rev. Charles Ball, M.A., of Dublin, born 1683,
  d. 1758, m. Deborah . . . and had issue: George John and Deborah Ball; of these, John Ball m. Christian Standish, and had issue, with others, Robert Ball of Dublin, m. 2ndly, Editha Gurly, and had issue, with others, Jemima Ball, mother to the present writer.
- X. Rose Ussher, 2nd wife, in 1612, of Captain Sir Edward Trevor, Knt., Member of the Privy Council, of Brynkynalt and of Rostrevor, by whom she had :
  - 1. Margery Trevor, born at Navan, 13th Aug., 1613, d. y.
  - 11. Sarah Trevor, born at Rostrevor, 13th Aug., 1616, m. . . . Edwards.
  - 111. Mark Trevor, of whom below.
  - Iv. Magdalen Trevor, born at Brynkynalt, Nov., 1621, m. Sir Hans Hamilton.
    - v. Edward Trevor, born at Brynkynalt, 8th May, 1623, slain at Balrothery, m. Elizth., dr. of Henry Lord Folliott and widow of Richd. Wingfield; she m. 3rdly, Sir John Ponsonby.

Rose Ussher died 31st Oct., 1623; Sir Edward Trevor died in 1649, in which year his prerog. will was proved. He was buried in Clondallan Church beside his late wives and children.

Mark or Marcus Trevor, born 15th April, 1618, at Rostrevor, Col. of a Regt. of Horse, temp. Chas. II., Marshal of Ireland, 6th Nov., 1667, Custos Rotulorum Co. Down, 22nd July, 16—, Governor of Ulster, May 11, 1664, 1665, who for his gallantry in wounding Oliver Cromwell at Marston Moor was created Baron Trevor of Rosse, Co. Down, April 21, 1662, and Viscount Dungannon

28th Aug. 1662, died at Dundalk, 10th Mar, 1669, and was buried in the Church of Clondallan, Co. Down

He married 1st, on 29th September, 1633, Frances, dr. and co-heir of Marmaduke Whitchurch, Knt., of Loughbrickland, who came to Ireland to clothe Queen Elizabeth's army, was Constable of Carlingford, died at Rostrevor, 9th February, 1655, and was buried in Clondallan Church. By her he had issue:

- 1. Marcus Trevor, d.v.p., 3rd of June, 1669.
- 2. Arthur Trevor, bap. at St. Audoen's, 11th of June, 1661, d.y.
- 3. Edward Trevor, bur'd. at St. Audoen's, 5th of March, 1665.
- 4. Maria m. as 2nd wife, William Hill of Hillsborough, Co. Down, who died 1693, and had issue two sons. Her stepson Michael Hill m. Anne, dr. and heir of Sir John Trevor of Brynkynalt, and was the ancestor of the Marquis of Downshire.
- 5. Rose Trevor m. Nicholas Purcell, Baron of Loghmoe, d. 1684.
- 6. Frances Trevor m. Nich. Sankey of the Co. Longford.

Col. Marcus Trevor m. 2ndly, Ann, dr. of . . . Lewis of Anglesey, and had issue:

- 7. Lewis, 2nd Visct. Dungannon in 1669.
- 8. John, slain by his br. Marcus, 1680.
- 9. Marcus, 3rd Lord Dungannon, m. Arabella Susanna, dr. and co-heir of Hugh Hamilton, Lord Glenawley.
- 10, 11, 12. Katherine, Edgar, Richd., buried at St. Audoen's Church. (For the information thus given cf. T.C.D. MS., F. 4, 1. 18, and Lodge's Peerage of Ireland).

## CHAPTER VII.

### THE USSHER FAMILY OF BALSOON, CO. MEATH.

Pedigree of the descendants of Marcus Ussher of Balsoon.

# I. MARCUS USSHER of Balsoon died 1632, m. Christian Conway, and had issue :

- I. Rev. JOCELIN USSHER of Balsoon, d. 1657, m. Maudlin Kynaston, and had issue:
  - 1. James Ussher of Balsoon, d. 1667, m. Sarah Hamilton, d.s.p.
  - 2. Rev. Markes Ussher of Balsoon, d. 1698, m. Jane Borrowes, and had issue :
    - (1) Henry Ussher of Balsoon, d. 1744, m. Barbara Mason, and had issue :
      - [1] James Ussher, d.y.
      - [2] Marcus Ussher, d.s.p., 1740.
      - [3] Jocelin Ussher, d.s.p., 1742.
      - [4] Mary Ussher m. 1734, Richard Baldwin of Dublin, and had issue :
        - 1. Richard Baldwin of Dublin, m. Grace Evans, and had issue :
          - [I] Charles Baldwin.
          - [2] Richard Baldwin.
          - [3] Grace Baldwin m. Francis Leigh.
        - [2] Barbara Baldwin m. Capt. Thos. Ormsby.
        - [3] Eliza Baldwin m. T. Waldron.
        - [4] Mary Baldwin m. J. Donnelly.
    - (2) Lieut. James Ussher of Trim, m. Mary . . . and had issue:
      - [1] Kildare Ussher of Trim, m. Margaret Healy, and had issue:
        - 1. Jane Ussher m. Mr. Farrell.
        - 2. Anne Ussher m. Mr. Flood

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- [2] Henry (?) Ussher m. . . .
  - 1. James Ussher of Moynalty, Co. Meath, m. Lucy Reany, and had issue :
    - [1] Hugh Ussher of Moynalty, m. Love Sharpe, and had issue:
- ([1-10]) The Rev. John Ussher of Baltinglass and others.
- 3. Rev. Francis Ussher, F.T.C.D., d. unmd.
- 4. Margaret Ussher m. John Bankes, and had issue.
- 5. Christian Ussher m. Wm. Hamilton, and had issue.
- II. Rev. Henry Ussher, Archdeacon of Kildare, m. . . . and had issue :
  - 1. Nicholas Ussher, of Tromman, Co. Meath, gent., m. . . . and had issue:
    - (2) Henry Ussher of Braskanagh, gent., m. Christian ... and had issue:
      - [1] Rebecca Ussher.
      - [2] Nicholas Ussher.
      - [3] Alice Ussher m.... Tinkler.
      - [4] Abigail Ussher.
      - [5] Markes Ussher.
  - 2. Marks Ussher m. . . . and had issue :
    - The Rev. Wm. Ussher m. Margaret . . . and had issue :
       [1] Sibella Ussher m. Wm. Booker.
    - (2) Richard Ussher of Ballyhagadon m. . . . and had issue :
    - (3) Robert Ussher of Queen's County.
  - 3. Jocelin Ussher, an officer, m. Katherine Rawson, and had . issue:
    - (1) Gilbert Ussher m. Mary . . . and had issue :
      - [1] James Ussher m. Jane FitzSimons, and had issue :
        - 1. Gilbert Ussher of London m. Eliza Hale.
        - 2. Marcus Ussher of Cork.
        - 3. Joseph Ussher of Gloucester.
- III. Richard Ussher of Tathrath m. . . . and had issue.

- IV. Elizabeth Ussher m. 1st, Christopher Piers, m. 2ndly, ... Bellwood m. 3rdly, Michael Hayter, m. 4thly, Wm. Howard, and died 1684.
  - V. Wm. Ussher of Donagoran, probably son to Marcus.
- VI. Christopher Ussher, died 1692, probably son to Marcus.
- VII. A daughter probably m. Mr. Lightburne, and had issue : Wm. Lightburne, Dean of Derry.

We now return to Primate Henry Ussher's eldest son, Marcus or Mark Ussher, Esq., of Balsoon, Co. Meath, who was born before 1575, became Sovereign and first M.P. for Armagh in 1613, and died Jan., 1632. He witnessed his father's will in 1613, in which were bequeathed to him, as heir, the lands of Balsoon, Evestown and Draystown, and the lease of the tithes of Kilmessan and Turloughstown.

In 1619, May 1, "an order was had from the Lord Deputy and Council, for Mark Ussher to repair the Chancel of Scurlogstown Church, Co. Meath." Visit. Book of Meath Dio.

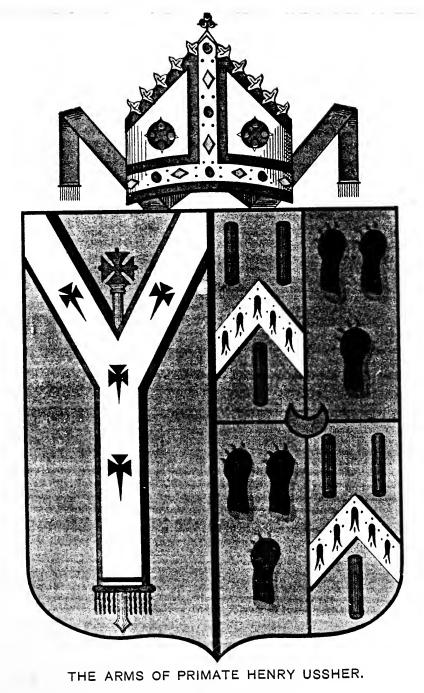
14th of June, 1626, Thos. Kent of Dainstown, Co. Meath, Plff., by a Chancery Decree recovered from Marcus Usher, Esq., of Balsoon, Samuel Mayart [Justice of C.P., 1626] and Mary his wife, £30 and costs.

Marcus Ussher m. Christian, dr. and heiress of Robt. Conway, LL.D., Master of Chancery, and his wife Mary Purdon, and had issue, so far as is known:

> I. Reverend Joslin or Jocelin Ussher, Clk., of Balsoon, B.A., T.C.D., Aest. 1622, Precentor of Kildare Cathedral, Oct. 12, 1639, d. July, 1657.

Little is known of him except from his sworn Deposition, dated March 24, 1642 (cf. T.C.D. MS., F 2, 9, p. 249).

"Jocelin Vscher of Balsoune, clerke inhabitinge in the parishe of Balsoune and Barony of Deise in the County of Eastmeath, beinge duely sworne deposeth as followeth, that the Relys of ye County of Cavan with many more to the number of 300 came to his house at Balsoune on the 25th day of Nov'ber last past and forcibly tooke from him at that tyme in the space of eight hours:



From the Funeral Entry in the Ulster Office.

In houses, gardens, calves, sheepe and swine in value at the least 200 lb.

In woollen, linnen, beddinge and other householde stuffe with haise householde provision and other severall necessaryes in value 150 lb.

Corne in my haggarde wch then they did dispose off and their adherents sithence that tyme have severall tymes done, beinge undervalued worth 200 lb.

Corne now in the grounde wch I am deprived off worth eight score pounds st.

Eastate of inheritance worth 100 lb. by ye yeare.

In Tythes sevenscore pounds by ye yeare at 3 yeares losse amounting 420 lb. I am deprived of I am credibly enformed of a good house with payes of office and other buildings to ye full value of 800 lb.

The improvement of the land at ye least 300 pounds.

Sum total 1096 lb. 0s. 0d.

What persons were knowne to this deponent in the County of Meath or elsewhere, he hath given full information to ye jury apointed for the same county.

There came to this deponent' house the night before his robbinge one Richard Uscher his owne brother and James Balfe of Kells and one John Kelly wch marryed 3 sisters; these men were then at his house and as he verily believes was joined wth them in their rebellious actions whatsoever was then acted, ye next morninge when ye Relys came there was one James Dayle a neighbour of this deponent dwellinge in a place called the Grange, in ye parisshe of ye Begtive who was an actor wth them and ye Relys still sayde that they had ye King's comission for all their action.

Jurat, Martii 24, 1641.

JOCELIN USSHER.

William Ledwich.

Hen. Brereton."

Rev. Jocelin Ussher m. after 1633, Magdalen, 5th dr. of Francis Kynaston of Saule, Co. Down, and his wife Katherine, dr. of John Trevor, Esq., of Brynkynalt, Co. Denbigh, and sister of Sir Edw. Trevor; who died 22nd Jan., 1682, and was buried in Balsoon Church, and by whom he had issue :

1. James Ussher of Balsoon, who d. 1665, without issue.

A grant of admon. intest. of the goods of James Usher, late of Dub., gent., was made to Sarah Usher, widow, May, 1665.

A grant, secondly, of the goods of James Usher, late of Balsoon, gent., intest., was made to Mark Usher of Dublin, gent., and James Hamelton, nearest of blood, 31st May, 1667.

In the Meath Hearth Money Roll, Bar. Deece, 1664, fras. Eliott of Ballinter pd. 2s. for 1 hearth and Vsher of Balsoon 4 shil. for 2 hearths.

A grant admon. of the goods of Sara Usher, late of Balsoon, was made to Marcs Usher of Dub., gent., and to James Hamilton of Newcastle, Co. Down, prox. consanguin. a steril'e. defunctæ, 31st May, 1667.

In the Hamilton MS., p. 114, we read, "They (the relatives in Scotland) being ignorant of what politicks James Hamilton of Newcastle had practised with his cousin K... Usher of Balsoon, his intrigues with his cousin Ann Trail being not yet discovered."

 Rev. Marcus Ussher, born at Balsoon in 1644, educated at Trim under Mr. Turbridge, entered T.C.D. 1658; Sch. March 7, 1660, B.A. 1662, ordained about 1668, Rector of Tara, etc., Dio. Meath, Dec. 14, 1695 to 1698, and afterwards owner of Balsoon on the death of his brother James. He signed the Freemen's Roll of Trim on April 14, 1683, and again Sept. 1686. He m. Jane, widow of Gilbert Rawson, Esq., of Donaghmore, Queen's Co., dr. and co-heir of Henry Borrowes of Ardenode and Cannycourt, who m. 3rdly, Capt. John Haynes and died previously to 1732, in which year Capt. Haynes then married a second time, made his will. For the children of Marcus Ussher see below.

The will of Henry Borrowes, Capt. 1641, Lt.-Col. 1648 (nuncupative) dated March 5, 1658, leaves, "My brother John Graydon and my wife joint Exors., wife during widowhood to receive the rent of Cannycourt, my sister Elizabeth Borrowes to enjoy the benefit of the land of Ballymore for 7 years," he saying, "I will not be worse to you than I was to sister Graydon." Henry Borrowes desired that his father's sword be left "with br. Graydon till his son be of age; his mother Jane Burrowes asked what he wd do for his drs.; he said, the cattle shd be divided among them."—Pr. Jan. 21, 1663.

Pedigree—Henry Borrowes of Giltown, who d. 1615, m. 1. Jane Savage.
2. Catherine Eustace of Giltown. He was son of Erasmus Aborough of Calais

(Harvey's Vis. Devon, 1564) and direct descendant of John de Burgh, or at Borough, 1397, gr. gr. grandson of Hubert de Burgh, Earl of Kent.

Henry Borrowes had issue: 1. Sir Erasmus Borrowes, M.P., 1646. 2. Capt. Richard Borrowes (1648), m. Elizabeth . . : who d.v.s.; his will pr. 1649. 3. Henry Borrowes (above mentioned) m. and had issue : Jane, Elinor and Mary; he d. 1658. 4. Alexr. Borrowes. 5. Edward Borrowes (Ensign 1648) m. . . and had issue : Jane and Erasmus. 6. Catherine, m. John Graydon. 7. Elizabeth. 8. Ellen.

> Rev. Francis Ussher, 3rd son of Rev. Jocelin Ussher, born at Balsoon in 1646, educated at Trim under Mr. Turbridge, entered T.C.D., 1658, Sch. 1663, B.A. Jan. 29, 1665, Fellow in 1667, died s. p. 1672.

Rev. Marcus Ussher died at Balsoon in 1698. His prerog. will, dated 29th August, 1698, recites that being at present somewhat indisposed he makes his last will, wishes to be buried in Balsoon Church, leaves to his wife Jane, Balsoon and Ninnystown, etc., Trebly, Knockstown, Ballinafredoge and Bridge End for life; his children's maintenance and education as Robert Rochford, Esq., James Hamilton, Esq., of Newcastle, and George Browne, Doctor, shall appoint, till James the youngest son be 22. To Henry Ussher, his eldest son, Balsoon and Ninnestown after his mother's death. To James, £400. One large silver tankard to Henry. To his sister, Margaret Banckes, the reversion of the estates, in case his sons have no issue. Also in case she have none, then to Nicholas Ussher, son to Henry Ussher, late Archdeacon of Kildare, and his heirs male after the death of "my sister." On the seal affixed to the will are the arms of Ussher of Dublin, quartered with those of Ussher of Fetherstone Hall, Yorks.

This will was proved September 1st, 1698, by Jane, his widow.

The lack of wills in this branch of the family has rendered it very difficult to trace out the pedigree completely, but great help has been found in the Fun'l Entries in the Ulster Office, various Deeds and Chancery Bills, and especially from a MS. pedigree of the descendants of Primate Henry Ussher of Balsoon (of which I heard from my friend, Dr. W. O'Donnavan, M.R.I.A.) and the history of which is curious. It was found in a box in the MSS. room, T.C.D., labelled E. 2, 19, but the key having been lost, the Sub-Librarian had

to send for a locksmith to open it. Though not mentioned in the catalogue of contents, it was there, endorsed thus: "This paper was received by Vice-Provost J. Barrett, May 11th, 1792, from Geo. Ussher, Esq., of Gloucester, a lineal descendant of the within Henry Ussher."

Rev. Marcus Ussher, by Jane Borrowes, his wife, had issue :

(1) Henry Ussher, of Balsoon, of whom below.

(2) Lieut. James Ussher, of whom presently.

Henry Ussher of Balsoon, born 1684, shortly after coming of age, filed at Easter, 1706, a Bill in Chancery against his stepfather, John Haynes, which contains some unhappy family history. He says in it that his father Marcus was seized in fee of Trubly, Knockstown, Ballynafedogg and Bridgend, and seized for the term of his life or in tail in Balsoon and Ninnestown, Craiestown and Coolejohn, by virtue of some settlement made thereof by some ancestor of the said Marcus, altogether worth £600 per ann. Also M. Ussher was possessed of and entitled to a very great personal estate to the value of £6,000 and upwards. Marcus Ussher died 22nd August, 1698. Henry Ussher being then under age (14 years old), he says: "My mother Jane possessed herself of the personal estate and also entered into possession of the lands, took rents, etc., until 1699, when she m. Capt. John Haynes, and since then they have received them, and committed great waste and destruction, and also used the personal estate for themselves. I came of age last June, when in a most dutiful manner by letter, and myself and friends, 1 made application to John Haynes, but they refused to listen and deliver up deeds, so (to prevent utter ruin), I brought an ejectment suit for recovery. Marcus Ussher, it is pretended, held in fee simple ; he m. Jane Rawson, and in 1687, it is pretended, made certain deeds settling his property on Jane; Balsoon is worth £200 There is also a pretended will of his, but he only wished to make a per ann. settlement in the family. If there is a deed of that date, it is only made to preserve his estate from the Irish late rebellion in 1688. The said Jane had some relatives having very great power with the Irish. Marcus Ussher declared to several persons that he had no power to will the estate. If the will was signed by his hand, he had no memory nor power of disposing at the time; his hand must have been guided and the pen put into it and held." The result of this action was to put Henry Ussher in possession of his paternal estates.

Tradition says that Henry Ussher was a very extravagant man, and from deeds preserved in the Irish Reg. of Deeds, he appears to have mortgaged his property very heavily.

Thus, 14th November, 1711, he granted for payment of certain debts and in consideration of a further sum lent, Trubly, etc., to Sir Thos. Taylor of

Kells, with a proviso of redemption in half a year on payment of  $\pounds 1000$  and interest.

Balsoon also was mortgaged in 1717, 1720, 1733 and 1736, and on February 8th, 1716, Henry Ussher for certain considerations leased Balsoon to John Preston, Esq., of Lismullin, Co. Meath, and heirs for ever at a yearly rent of 12s. per acre. John Preston, Esq., of Bellinter, the descendant of the above mentioned John Preston, is now the proprietor of Balsoon.

Another Deed, regd. July 18th, 1717, bearing date 5th February, 1708, recites that H. Ussher in consideration of the marriage portion received by him with Barbara his wife, dr. of Alderman Robert Mason, of Dublin, etc., sold his estates for ever to the trustees of the marriage for uses contained in the Release.

Henry Ussher died in 1744. In *Exshaw's Mag.*, December 1744: "Died Henry Ussher, late of Balsoon, Esq., by whose death an estate of  $\pounds$ 900 per ann. falls to Richd. Baldwin, Esq."

By his wife Barbara Mason, whom he married in 1708, Henry Ussher had issue :

- [1] James Ussher, died young.
- [2] Marcus Ussher, died v. patr., 1749. In Pue's Occur-
- rences, 17th May, 1740, we read that: "On Saturday evening (10th May) last, died of an apoplectic fit at Kilkenny, Marcus Usher, Esq., Surveyor of that city. He was a gentleman of a fair character, and his death is very much lamented. He was eldest son of Henry Usher, of Balsoon in Co. Meath, Esq. He has leftone brother, Jocelin Usher, now abroad on His Majesty's fleet, who is heir to the estate of that ancient family."
- [3] Jocelin Ussher, R.N., died before 1744.
- [4] Mary Ussher, only dr. and eventual heiress, d. 1771 (cf. Faulkner's *Dub. Journal*, July 27th, 1771): "In Hume Street, Mrs. Mary Baldwin, relict of Richard Baldwin, Esq., a lady much regretted by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance."

She m. at St. Bride's Church, Dublin, on October 7th, 1734 (as his 2nd wife) Richarl Baldwin, Esq., of Aungier Street, Dublin, 3rd son of Chas. Baldwin, Esq., of Dublin, who died 1730, and was a relative of Provost Baldwin, to whom he left the reversion of his property in his will.

By Richard Baldwin, she had issue :

r. Richard Baldwin, Esq., of Merrion Square, Dublin, w. pr. 1795, m. 4th July, 1764, Grace Evans, dr. of the Hon. Grace Freke, als Evans, wid., of Dawson Street, Dub., who died 1809, and by her had issue: Charles Baldwin m..., Richard Baldwin, Grace Baldwin m. 11th December, 1788 Francis, son of Robt. Leigh, of Rosegarland, Co. Wexford; and other drs.

Richard Baldwin, son of Mary Ussher, in his will leaves his house in Merrion Square to his wife, as purchased with her money, he to be buried in St. Peter's churchyard. He mentions deeds dated 4th July, 1764, on his marriage, in which Garret, Lord Mornington, and Crosby, Lord Brandon are trustees; leaves his lands in Co. Dublin and Roscommon to his eldest son; to his 2nd son, Richard, estates in Co. Sligo. [There is a place called Castle Baldwin in Sligo]; to his sisters £50 each for mourning.

- 2. Barbara Baldwin m. Capt. Thos. Ormsby, an officer of Dragoons, on February 5th, 1769, in St. Anne's Church, Dublin, and had a dr. Mary.
- 3. Eliza Baldwin m. T. Waldron, of Dublin.
- 4. Mary Baldwin m. J. Donnelly, of Gloucester Street, Dublin.

Richard Baldwin, the husband of Mary Ussher, died 1768. *Pue's Occurrences*—" In Aungier Street, R. Baldwin, Senr., Esq., whose extensive charity and benevolence entitled him to the esteem and regard of all who had the

pleasure of his acquaintance, and who is sincerely regretted by numbers to whom his death is a real loss."

In his will pr. 1768, he wishes to be buried in St. Peter's churchyard with his late wife and children. "To my dear wife, Mary Ussher, I leave £400 per ann. during her widowhood, in accordance with her marriage settlement, out of my estate, also £600 per ann. in lieu of what I owe her, and also that I have a right to by her deceased mother, Barbara Ussher, etc., also whatever may be recovered out of the estate of her father, Henry Ussher, Esq., decd., if she thinks proper to sue for the same, otherwise I leave the same to my Exor. hereinafter named, and after her decease or marriage, to my Exor. To my drs., Barbara, £5,000; Elizabeth, £4,000; Mary, £3,000, when of age; to my nephew, Sir Bridges Baldwin, M.D., and his lady, £40, etc."

REV. MARCUS USSHER of Balsoon had issue secondly, Lieut. James Ussher (younger brother of Henry Ussher), born at Balsoon in 1689, educated in Dublin by Dr. Jones, entered T.C.D. 1705, B.A. 1709, entered the army and acc. British Museum Add. MS. 29,880, was Lieut. in Lord Ashburnham's Horse, and in receipt, in 1715, of £54 15s. per ann. half pay.

A deed of 5th June, 1709, recites "an agreement between John Haines. Esq., of Cannycourt, Co. Kildare, and his wife Jane Haynes, als. Ussher, als. Rawson, als. Burrowes, 1st pt., Sir Kildare Burrowes, Bt. of Giltown, Henry Warren, Esq. of Grangebegg, both Co. Kildare, and Robert Graydon of Russellstown, Co. Wicklow, 2nd pt., by which deed first reciting that Jane Haynes stands seized in her demesne as of fee simple as sister and heir of Anne King, als. Burrowes, decd, and the sd John Haynes in her right, of one entire 3rd pt. in 3, of Cannycourt, and they have levied fines on  $\frac{1}{3}$  of sd lands, and for affection for James Ussher, 2nd son of Jane, and her daughter Katherine Ussher, als. Rawson and their issue, and that the sd James might the better be able to advance himself in marriage thereafter and settle a jointure on such wife as he shd marry and for continuing the sd lands in the blood of Jane, they did to the 2nd pt. quit claim of 1 pt. of Cannycourt, and after the death of James Ussher to the use of his male heirs, and in default of such, to the use of Katherine Ussher, and after her death to the use of Gilbert, her eldest son and his issue, and for want of such to Mark, 2nd son of Kath., and his issue, and for lack of such to Jane Ussher, her 2nd dr., on condition of her marrying

a gent., who together with his childn by her shall take the name of Burrowes, and in default remr. to the use of Sir Kildare Burrowes."

It is not known whom Lieut. James Ussher married, or when he died. The Registers of Trim parish where he lived, and which might throw light on the matter, are lost, there being none now older than 1836. All that is known of him is in some deeds of lease. Thus in Feb. 23, 1711, he made a deed with John Haynes of Cannycourt, reciting a previous deed of same year, by which  $\frac{1}{3}$  of said lands were conveyed to Trustees for his use, and that for £100 John Haynes renounced his right in that pt. of Cannycourt. Passing over some years we find that in Oct. 1744, Jas. Usher of Athboy, Co. Meath, gt., granted 146 acres of Cannycourt, being his third pt., to Benjn. Haynes, his stepbrother at £60 per ann.

James Ussher probably m. a lady from the parish of Rathmolyon, near Trim. Mrs. Mary Usher was buried at Rathmolyon on April 20, 1751. From the mention of "a print of the Ussher and Russell arms" in the will of Kildare Ussher (see below) her name may have been Russell. By her he had issue:

> [1] Kildare Ussher, gent., died at Trim, Co. Meath, in 1778, in which year his will was proved there. In it he desires to be buried in Newtown Church, near Trim (a R.C. burying ground); to his grandson Marks Ussher Farrell he leaves a legacy, to his dr. Jane Farrell, als. Ussher, £1 p. ann. from the lands of Ballicareen, his dr. Ann Flood, als. Ussher, £1 p. ann., her dr. Margt Flood is mentioned. "To Richard Ashe Vizer,\* son to cousin Carthy Vizer of Trim, two

• The names Carthy and Vizer come in, in connection with Christopher Ussher of Mt. Ussher. Thos. and Carthy Vizer signed the Trim Freeman's Roll in 1764, and a Christopher Ussher in 1686. Carthy Vizer obtained a Faculty as Public Notary, 25th Novr., 1761.

In 1727-30 a Decree in Chancery was obtained by Christopher Usher and Elizth., his wife, Elizabeth Carthy, widow, and Thos. Vizer, gent., plffs. against Theophilus Jones, Esq., Walter Jones and Edw. Madden, defts. Defts. to pay  $\pm 5,222$  with int. at  $\pm 6$  p. c. for Rowestown, Olltown and Corballis, p'sh of Connel, Co. Kildare, Treffan, Moyfenragh and also places in Westmeath and King's Co.

The connection appears thus in Burke's Dict. of Commoners.

Nicholas Jones of Rosetown, Co. Kildare, had issue : 1. Thomas, d. 1720. 2. Catherine,

teaspoons and the prints of Primate Ussher and the Ussher and Russell's armes now in the house of Mr. Thos. Vizer of Trim aforesaid, als. to his father Carthy Vizer, etc., for his good nature to me in illness; to my wife Margt. Ussher, als. Healy, John Adams' House, Cath. Healy's house and Rofferty's house, and the house she now lives in, during my lease."

The Christian name "Kildare" is a clue, Sir Kildare Burrowes being a cousin of Lieut. James Ussher's mother, and a grandson of the Earl of Kildare.

- [2] Henry Ussher, believed to have been 2nd son of Lieut. James Ussher, had issue a son,
  - 1. James Ussher, who more than 70 years ago resided in the parish of Moynalty, Co. Meath, and claimed to be of the Balsoon family of Usshers. He held the farm of Balinclava, near Billyfoot Bridge, having been previously an under agent on the Chaloner estate, but got into difficulties and had to give up his farm, and then held a situation under Mr. Chaloner. He died about 1840. By his wife, Lucy Reany, of Balsoon, he had issue: [1] Lucy Usher, m. Mr. Walker. [2] Hugh Usher of the Glen, Kingsfort, who d. 1878, and was married three times. By his 1st wife Love Sharpe he had issue : ([1-5]) Catherine, Elias, Margaret, James, William. ([6]) Rev. John Usher, Rector of Baltinglass, m. Mary Kenny, and has issue : John George and Bismark. ([7-10]) Hugh, Samuel, Richard, Lucy.

The Rev. Jocelin Ussher of Balsoon had issue also:

Iv. Christian Ussher, m. Wm. Hamilton of Erenagh, Co. Down, who d. 1686, leaving issue two children:

m. Benj'n Chetwode, Esq., she d. before Dec. 12, 1695, leaving Elizabeth, only child, m. Chr. Ussher, and alive in 1754. 3. Elizabeth, m. Major Richard Cartby and had issue, Thos. d. s. p. 1754, and Isabella. 4. Jane, m. 1st, Rev. Ralph Vizer and had issue : Thos. Vizer; m. 2ndly, Wm. Wilson. Rev. Ralph Vizer came of an old Dublin family. A person named Cartby Vizer went from Trim to New Zealand many years ago.

- Jocelin Hamilton, who was mortally wounded when only 20 years old, in a duel provoked by Bernard Ward, High Sheriff of the Co. Down, whom he shot dead, at the rear of the old Church of Downpatrick; his will pr. 1689, requests that he should be buried in the Cathl. Church of Down; his lands he leaves to his brother-in-law, James Hamilton of Tollymore; his sister Christian 51 broade pieces of gold, which formerly did belong to her mother, and also her mother's wedding ring. "To uncle Marks Usher, clerk, £10, to sd uncle's child (if living) £10. To uncle John Banks of Ardee and my aunt his wife, £10 each."
- 2. Christian Hamilton, died 1691, (leaving in her will, to her aunt Margaret Banks £50), m. her cousin James, son of Hans Hamilton, and had issue : Margt. Hamilton, m. John Cuffe, 1st Lord Desart, and d. s. p.
- v. Margaret Ussher, m. John Bankes, gent., of Ardee, in 1687, and had issue: John Bankes, gt., Supervisor of Hearth money at Ardee, who m. Mary Allin of St. Paul's parish, Dub., Nov. 28th, 1715, and died s. p. Jan. 24, 1667, leaving his property to his cousins Samuel Bankes of Ardee and Percival Bankes of Ennis, Co. Clare.
- II. We now return to the second son of Marcus Ussher, senr. of Balsoon, and his wife Christian Conway, viz. :
  - Henry Ussher, Canon and Archdeacon of Kildare, 1665, and resident there in 1654, m. — and had issue:
  - Nicholas Ussher mentioned in a Common Pleas judgment, 1680, as of Trommon, p'sh of Rathmolyon, Co. Meath, and in 1698 as heir in remainder, in the will of Rev. Marks Ussher, his first cousin. He was probably the father of
    - Henry Ussher, of Braskanagh, King's Co. gent., who d. 1744, his will being proved at Kildare. By his wife Christian
       he had issue: (1) Rebecca Ussher. (2) Nicholas
       Ussher. (3) Alice Ussher, m. . . . Tinkler. (4) Abigail
       Ussher. (5) Markes Ussher.

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- Marks Ussher, born at Kildare, 1654, Sch. and B.A., T.C.D., 1679, ordained 10th Sept., 1679 by Antony, Bp. of Kildare, Rector of Ballydan 1684, kept a school at Maryborough. By his wife . . . he had issue:
  - The Rev. Wm. Ussher, born at Maryborough, 1689, entered T.C.D., 1722, B.A., 1727, Rector of Castlejordan, Co. Meath ; by his wife Margt. . . . who d. 1772, he had issue :
    - (1) Sibella Ussher, m. Mr. Wm. Booker of Co. Westmeath, Aug., 1767.
  - 2. Richard Ussher of Ballyhegadon, Queen's Co., m. . . . and had issue.

The following curious story, characteristic of the times, is told by him in a Chancery Bill entered 12th Nov., 1709.

Richard Ussher of Ballyhegadon, gent., v. Peter and Grace Alley, says that, "Peter Alley, junr. of Grantstown, Clk., taking a great delight in hunting and horse racing, kept hounds and horses for his pleasure therein, through which he was brought to be in great want of money and in great probability of losing his living or Parsonage and to be put in prison if he did not raise money to pay what debts he had contracted by his folly, and being in great distress applied to Joceline Ussher, Esq., a person of good estate and one of Her Maj's justices of the peace for y<sup>e</sup> said Co. and acquainted him of his great want of money and ye necessity he had for ye same, and what circumstances he lay under at that time, and that if he or some other of his friends did not supply him with money, he shd be ruined and undone, and proposed to set a very good and beneficial farme to such person as shd advance and lend him monies, at a lower rate than the same was used to be sett for; your orator showeth that Joceline Usher being my uncle and knowing I wanted a good farm, paying one year's rent in advance I agreed, not doubting that Alley was an honest fair man and wd be cautious in his dealings with me. On the 27th March, 1707, articles were drawn up to demise Ballyhagedon and Rahenphelan at 3/6 per acre, Alley being parson of the parish, and having 156 acres, but I advanced £27 by the hands of Robert Ussher my brother in 1707, who took a receipt in hand. I fell sick but sent goods to the house, and taking advantage, he caused them to be locked up in a room there but refused to quit the farm, к

and remained there with his family and then confederated with others named. Then I repaired to Dublin where I was arrested by contrivance of Alley at the suit of Saml. Bridges and carried to the Wheat Sheaf, where I am ever since, and Alley impounded my cattle, whereupon Joceline Usher went for a Rep'ter when Alley had the cattle drove into another p'sh and kept 5 or 6 days without meat or fodder, and after drove them to Donoghmore. I ask for a writ to be directed to Peter Alley and his wife Grace. My wife and children are in distress : Alley promised on the word of a priest that as soon as the cattle were appraised he would deliver them up, &c."

Robert Usher, mentioned by Richard Usher, as his brother.
 Jocelin Ussher, third son of Archdeacon Henry Ussher, an officer in the army, and afterwards of Rosnadough and of Killmurry, J.P. for the Queen's Co., m. 1st, Katherine, dr. and heiress of Gilbert Rawson, Esq. of Rosnadough, Queen's Co. (which in 1714 Jocelin and his son Gilbert Usher sold to Chas. Baldwin, Esq., father of Richd. Baldwin, who m Mary Ussher of Balsoon) and his wife Jane Borrowes, afterwards Ussher. A gr. admon. intest. to her goods was made to Jocelin in 1710. By her he had issue:

- Gilbert Ussher, gent., of Bridgend and Balsoon, and after of Ramsgrange, Co. Wexford, drowned in the river Boyne, 1725, who by his wife, Mary . . . afterwards wife of Terence Callaghan, had issue :
  - James Ussher of Collierstown, Co. Meath, gent., born 1720, who on 19th Nov., 1744, took out a grant admon. intest. to the goods of his father, the mother renouncing her title. This James Ussher was brought up a Roman Catholic, and was a man of greatability. He married about 1747, Jane Fitz-Simons, by whom he had issue 3 sons who survived him, viz.:
     Gilbert Ussher of London, m. Eliza Hale of London.
    - [2] Marcus Ussher of Cork. "A Pronouncing Grammar and Spelling Book," by M. Ussher, printed 1794, at Gloucester by R. Raikes (the Sunday School founder) was probably by this Marcus Ussher.

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[3] Joseph Ussher of Gloucester, alive in 1794, who probably had a son George Ussher, from whom Dr. J. Barrett received the pedigree mentioned above.

A short account of James Ussher may be interesting. He was born near Dublin, son of a farmer, became a linen draper in Dublin, married and was left a widower with four children, of whom one died soon; he then became a R.C. priest, went to London, kept a successful school in Kensington Gravel Pits, in which he was for a time a partner with John Walker, author of the Pronouncing Dictionary, and died 1772 in London.

The will of James Usher, gentleman, of the p'sh of Paddington was pr. in London 24th Dec., 1771, in the P.C.C.; body to be buried as his sons might wish. Exors, Mr. Gerard Robinson of Queen's St., p'sh of St. George's, Bloomsbury, Esq., and my beloved son Gilbert Ussher. All my goods share and share alike to my 3 children, Gilbert, Marks and Joseph. Dated 17th Dec., 1771.

He was the author of several works, some of which ran through many editions:

- A Treatise on a New System of Philosophy, founded on the Universal Operations of Nature. London: J. Davies, Russell St., 1764. A copy is in the Bodleian Library. This work deals severely with Locke as leaning too much towards Naturalism.
- 2. Clio, a discourse on Taste, addressed to a young Lady, a production of a very chaste and elegant style, 3rd edition, 1772; re-published with addition of notes and anecdotes and quotations by J. Mathew. London: Longman & Rees, 1802. Mathew says in his preface, "Few works more popular or a greater number of editions than this by the ingenious author, J. Usher." A copy is in the British Museum Library.
- 3. Letters by a Freethinker. Published in Cork ; a defence of Roman Catholicism.
- 4. An Introduction to the Theory of the Human Mind, which Thos. Green says he "read with much interest."
- 5. An Elegy, s. a. 8vo., printed privately in 1860, with MS. notes by Porson.

In May, 1745, James Ussher, gent., of Calliaghstown, Co. Meath, leased to Wm. Pleasants (trustee of the marriage settlements of Rev. Joshua Phipps of Dub., and Mary, mercer of Dub., spr.) for £150 pd. by him, the third pt. of Cannycourt. Also on 29th April, 1748, James Ussher, late of Calliaghstown, now of Newtown, near Trim, for £100 did assign Cannycourt, to Martha Vote, subject to a previso of redemption; and a deed of June 1st, 1748, recites that James Ussher of Newtown, gt., and Jane Ussher, als FitzSimons, his wife, did release to Daniel Bewley of Dub., timber mercht., for £1,330 pd by him,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of Cannycourt, containing 146 acres, 2 roods, 31 perches, bounded by the part owned by Benjn. Haynes and the pt belonging to Alexr. Burrowes.

- 2. Thomasin Ussher, dr. to Joceline Ussher and his wife Katherine, m. before 1743, Richard Russell of Marshallstown, Co. Meath.
- Jane Ussher, m. before 1743, Michael Wheeler of Curtistown, Co. Meath.

Jocelyn Ussher, m. secondly in 1712, Elinor, widow of Capt. Joshua Wiseman (who d. in London, 1709, leaving a son Hugh) and then resided at Killmurry, near Trim, having issue by her a son.

4. Marks Ussher, born c. 1713.

Jocelin Ussher, deceased before 1738, in which year his widow, Elinor, m. thirdly, John Despard, Esq., of Carrtown, Queen's Co.

MARCUS USSHER, senior, of Balsoon, had issue also by Christian Conway.

- III. Richard Ussher of Tathrath, Co. Meath, attainted and forfeited in 1641, mentioned in Rev. Jocelin's deposition. In the Meath Subsidy Roll, 1662, Barony of Screen, we find Richd. Ussher of Riverstown, paying for his goods £3 6s. Also a Chancery Decree relating to the lands of Riverstown and Castletown, Tarah, Co. Meath, mentions Patrick Archer, gent., and Ald., John Preston, as Plffs.; and Richard Ussher, of Assey, gent., as one of the Defts., and they got a decree against him for £90 per ann. for 5 years.
- IV. William Ussher, of Donagoran, Co. Meath, arm., will proved 1687, was probably another son of Marcus; he leaves every-

thing in trust to Terence Connor, of Ardglasson, Co. Meath, gent., father of Chas. Connor, minor, and only Exor.

By the Act of Settlement, 22nd Chas. II., William Usher, Esq., obtained part of Pickettstown, 156A., at £3 3s. 2d.; Donagorran, 156A., at £3 3s. 2d.; Searaghstown (part), 47A., at 19s.  $0\frac{1}{2}d.$ ;  $\frac{1}{2}$  Bar. Fore, Co. Meath: in Boyanagh, Collriagh, 56A. 1R. 14P., at £1 2s.  $8\frac{3}{4}d.$ ; Bar. Clonlonnan, Co. W. Meath; part of Ballynan, 262A. and 20P., at £3 19s.  $7\frac{1}{2}d.$ ; Bar. of Corkagunihy, Co. Kerry. In 1662 he paid for his freehold in Co. Meath, 8s. hearth money.

V. Christopher Usher, of Ballynesker, Co. Meath, gent. (gr. admon. to Elizabeth, his widow, 27th January, 1692), was perhaps a son or grandson of Marcus Ussher, senr. The name Christopher may have come through Christopher Conway, only brother to Mrs. M. Ussher, or Christopher Piers. According to Lodge, Honora, dr. of Henry Stoughton and Mary Ponsonby, of Crotto, Co. Kerry, had issue by Edward Shewell, of Ardfert, a dr., Mary, m. Robert Usher, of Ballynaskea, Co. Meath, in 1735, and had issue: 1. Edward Usher, m. 1755, Martha, dr. of Wm. Mullins, of Burnham. 2. Richard Usher. 3. Stoughton-Thos. Usher. In *Pue's Occurrences*, 1732—"Stolen 22nd November last, off the lands of Aughamore, Co. Kerry, a bay mare marked R.U. from Robert Usher, of Aughamore, gent."

VI. Elizabeth Ussher, eldest dr., m. 1st, Christopher Piers (2nd son of Henry Piers,\* Esq., of Tristernagh, Co. W'meath), who decd. 7th June, 1634, having issue: 1. Henry, d. y. 11. Thomas, d. y. 111. Mark. 1v. Jane, m. Wm Harman, of

• On a slab in the south wall over a table tomb in the old chapel of Tristernagh is an inscr. "1620 aetatis suae 52."

"Hoc tegitur saxo Dominus Pietate refulgens Henricus Persus prognatus stemmate claro, Aedis Tristernagh reparato et incola et hospes Qui instinctu sacro tumulum sibi struxerat istum Postquam sacratas sedes renovaverat hasce Adjunctam atque viam stravisset cetera Christo Commendasset acimae cibus, succurito lector."

the Co. Cavan. Christopher is buried in the Chapel of Tristernagh. His son Mark m. Bridget, dr. of Teigue Farrell, of Tullogh, and had issue : Christopher, Henry, Mark, and 6 daughters.

Elizabeth Ussher m. 2ndly, ... Bellwood, and had issue : 1. Usher Bellwood, Collector of Kinsale, and had issue, Thos., who had Frances, gr. admon., 5th May, 1790. 11. Maudlin. 111. Christian. Elizabeth Ussher m. 3rdly, Michael Hayter, of Ballymacarrick, d. 1658, and had issue a dr., Lettice. Elizabeth m. 4thly, Wm. Howard, d.s.p., and she died 1st February, 1684, and was buried in Balsoon Church. Her third husband, Michael Hayter, in his will desires to be buried in the church of Dronuge, and leaves his estate to his wife Elizabeth, till dr. Lettice be 16; then 1 to wife, 2 to dr. If they die s.p., all his estate to go to the heirs of Joslin Usher of Balsoone, decd., my brother-in-law, and his heirs for ever, provided that they pay the legacies, and do not sell nor alienate from the house of Balsoone. To son in-law, Alex. Sceall, £20 my son-in-law, Wm. Hermon, lease of Killmenoran : lands to house of Balsoone, the hereafter with the former legacies to be paid to my dear wife's five children by her former husbands as followeth : 1st to Joane Pierce als Hermon, £15; to Maudlin Bellwood, £15; to Usher Bellwood, £15; to Marcus Pierce, £10; to Christian Bellwood £10. 19th May, 1658.

VII. A daughter probably m. Mr. Lightburne, and had issue: Rev. Wm. Lightburne, Vicar of Trim and Dean of Derry, who had a son, Stafford Lightburne. In the will of Rev. Preb<sup>3.</sup> Wm. Lightburne, he mentions his cousin, Rev. Marks Ussher. Also in the will of Stafford Lightburne, Esq., of Trim, 12th March, 1697, he mentions his cousin, Dr. John Stearne, Vicar of Trim, and Rev. Marks Ussher.

A Mark Usher, gent., died in Dublin, gr. admon. intest., 19th December, 1734, to his widow Dorothea and his son Joseph. In 1777 intest. admon. of the goods of Joseph Usher, merchant of Dublin, was gr. to Joseph Thorogood, his cousin, and nearest in blood. This Mr. Joseph Usher was witness in 1740 to a deed, and in 1742 appears as a subscriber to "Carson's Chronology." Mark may have been a brother to Jocelin Usher of Rosnadough.

Also in *Puc's Occurrences*, Saturday, December 22nd, 1764, "Mrs. Carter died, aged 104, in Britain Street, Dublin, great granddaughter to Archbishop Ussher; she retained her senses to the last."

## CHAPTER VIII.

ARLAND USSHER, THE CHANCERY REGISTRAR, AND HIS FAMILY.

Pedigree of Arland Ussher's descendants.

ARLAND USSHER, d. 1598, m. Margaret, dr. of James Stanihurst, and had issue :

- I. John Ussher, d. young.
- II. Elizabeth Ussher, d. unmd.
- III. Sarah Ussher m. Theophilus Buckworth, Bishop of Dromore, d. 1652.
- IV. Ellinor Ussher, d. 1640, m. Robert Lill, Provost of Trim, d. 1667, and had issue.
  - V. James Ussher, Primate and Archbp., b. 1580, d. 1656, m. Phœbe Challoner, and had issue :
    - 1. Elizabeth Ussher, m. Sir Timothy Tyrrell.
- VI. Ambrose Ussher, d. unmd., 1629.
- VII. Mabel Ussher m. Dr. Lewis Jones, Bishop of Killaloe, and had issue.
- VIII. Anne Ussher, d. 1651, m. Wm. Hilton, Baron of the Excheq. d. 1651.
  - IX. Thomasina Ussher, d. unmd.
  - X. Margaret Ussher, d. 1630, m. Robert Bermingham of Ballogh, d. 1638.

Thomas Ussher and Margery Geyton, his wife, had issue :

III. Arland, Arlanton or (as he is sometimes called) Arnold Ussher, one of the six clerks of Chancery, and Registrar of Chancery Appeals (cf. Fiants of Queen Elizabeth, 1599, No. 6,275)---"Grant to Wm. Conway, of the Office of Sole Registrar of Appeals or Provocations Spiritual in Ireland to the Queen in Chancery in Ireland, under the Act for Appeals, 28 Hen. VIII., vacant by the death of Arland Uscher, gt."

He was born c. 1552, and, says Dr. Thos. Smith, "was a most illustrious man, who inheriting by birth resources ample enough, educated well in the schools, in the arts with which boys of the more gentle stock are wont to be imbued, after he had reached manhood, addicted himself altogether to the study of English Municipal Laws, which there also obtain force everywhere by statute of Parliament, in the knowledge of which he had made such great progress, that piercing their depths with penetrating eye, he was at a mature age appointed one of the six clerks in Chancery." He married Margaret, dr. of James Stanihurst, three times Speaker of the Irish House of Commons, a Master of Chancery and Recorder of Dublin. She died in 1626.

In Molyneux's "Visitation of the City of Dublin," it is written that : "Nicholas, son of Henry Stanyhurst (which Henry is thought to be the firste of this name that came into Ireland), had issue 2 sons, James, and Richd., mrct. of Dub., m. by - Blake, had issue, Henry Stanyhurst (of whom in another place), and Thomas, a Capt. under the Archduke of Austria, now 1610. James Stanyhurst, eldest son of Nicholas, was Recorder of Dublin, and had to wife, Anne, dr. and sole heire of Thos. FitzSymon of Courtduffe, (2ndly, m. to - Brereton, who had noe issue by her). By James Stanyhurst shee had issue, Richd., now living with the Archduke of Austria; Walter (of whome in the next descente); Henry, dead in England in his youth. Margaret, wife to Arland Ussher, and . . . a dr. Walter Stanyhurst, 2nd sonne of James Stanyhurst, now of Courtduffe, 1610, who had to his first wife, Cicilie Nangle of Navan, and to his second wife Elizabeth, dr. of Sir Frances Stafford, Knt., one of ye Privie Councel of Ireland; by the former he hath issue, Mary and Margaret, and by the 2nd, Christopher Stanyhurst, aged about 3 years now in 1610."

Dr. Smith quotes Edmund Campian, the Jesuit in Letter III., as saying that James Stanyhurst secretly received him when flying from England, whom he nourished in his own house, and commended in 1570, to a friend in the country where he might be safely hidden. Smith thinks that James Stanyhurst, though outwardly out of loyalty conforming to the Reformed faith, yet in his bosom privately nurtured the ancient teaching.

In 1569 Stanihurst proposed, as Speaker in the Irish House of Commons, that the Queen be asked to found an Academy in Dublin, so that the sons of

magistrates need not go abroad to study, at great expense, and with a danger of learning disloyalty. This was the first movement made towards the establishing of an Irish University, of which his grandson was such a shining light.

James Stanihurst was born in 1522, and died in 1573. His will, formerly in the Prerogative Office, Dublin, has perished. He was the author of three works: 1. "Piae Orationes"; 2. "Ad Corsagiensem Decanum Epistolae"; 3. "3 English Speeches as Speaker of the House of Commons."

Richard Stanihurst, the brother of Margaret Ussher, who was born in Dublin, in 1545 or 6, became a Commoner of Univ. Coll., Oxon, 1563, studied law at Furnival's and Lincoln's Inn, and then returned to Ireland, where he married and became a Roman Catholic. A letter of his in a very difficult handwriting and addressed to Arland Ussher, in T.C.D. MS., E. 3. 16, runs thus:—

These.

"To my looving broother in lawe Mr. Arland Ussher. The money that was sent me stoode mee to so smale steede as that I coude not repayr homewards. I have sent for my wiefes and look for her cooming daylye. And in so muche as her apparinge wylle be very cheryeable to mee, as by experience you partly know, and my purse is not welle furnished at this present, I shalle desyre you to be so goode as to deale with yor coosenne Balle in suche order as you dealt with heem for the third pennye profitts, you know what I meane, and lett mee have his warrant to the sayd merchant for the sum of xl lb. st. in wares, and I wylle bee bound to the sayd merchant to the use of Mr. Baulle as firmely as hee wylle devise. I beseeche you bee so earnest in this that you coopasse hit. And I shall accompt hit so frendely a turn as I wille reckon myself both bounde to you for solliciting the matter, and to Mr. Baule for grting hit. Thus wyth my comendacions to my sister, I beeteche you too God. ffrom London the xxxth of July, 1576.

"Yor looving broother, "R—— STANIHURST."

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Richard Stanihurst removed afterwards to the Continent, where he lost his wife, took orders, and became Chaplain to Albert, Archduke of Austria.

From the *Cal. State Papers*, Elizth. (Ireland) we extract: "Novr. 20, 1591, Liege, Walter Stanihurst (br. of Richd.) to his mother Mrs. Ann FitzSimons. To send his (W's) sons James and Nicholas over to England by the bearer to be placed at the Inns of Court. His two daughters to be placed with the old lady at Kildare." [Hol.] p. 1. Dec. 26th, 1591, "Walter Stanyhurst to his sons J. & N. Stanyhurst. To

Dec. 26th, 1591, "Walter Stanyhurst to his sons J. & N. Stanyhurst. To accompany the bearer Christopher Roche into England, where he has provided for their education in the Inns of Court [Hol.] seal with device."

April 26th, 1592, "Advertisements by Nicholas Weston—Entertainment of Richard Stanihurst, native of Dublin, at the Spanish Court. He was sent out of Flanders by the Prince of Parma, to cure the King of some disease, and it is reported that he is a famous man and very well thought of."

Richard Stanihurst corresponded with his nephew James Ussher. He died in 1618 at Brussels. His works were: *1*. Harmonia sive Catena Dialectica in Porphyrianas Constitutiones. London, 1570, '79, fol. *2*. The 1st 4 Bookes of Virgil's Eneis tr. into English Heroical Verse with trans. of Psalms, Epitaphs thereto annexed." 1583, sm. 8vo. *3*. De Rebus in Hibernia' gestis, Lib. 4. Antwerp, 1584. *4*. Descriptio Hiberniæ; in English in Holinshed's Chron. *5*. De vita Sti. Patricii Hyb. Apos. Lib. II. Antwerp, 1587. *6*. Hebdomada Mariana 1609, 8vo. *7*. Hebdomada Eucharistica, Douay. 1614, 8vo. *8*. Brevis Premunitio pro fut. Concertatione cum Jacobo Usserio Hyberno, Dubliensi, 1615. *9*. The Principles of Catholic Religion.

Walter Stanihurst, son of Richd., a Jesuit born at Brussels, 1601, d. 1663. He published Album Marianum, Louvain, 1641, and other works.

To return to Arland Ussher: In the Cal. Pat. Rolls of Eliz. 23°, 1580, Membrane 1, we find "A License for Tirrelough M'Cave to alienate to Arland Ussher the Rectory of Scurlockstown in Co. Meath, the tithes, manses and alterage due to the Vicar and curate excepted, March 10,"

In 1590 Arlande Usher, gent., and Wm. Usher, gent., Exors. of John Fitz-Xpr Usher, late of Dublin, Alderman, obtained a Chancery Decree against another.

In 1587, 31st May, "Arland Usher of Dub., gt., plff., by a Chancery Decree recovered agst. Thos. Copproun, mercht, 2 messuages and their appurt. in Hangman Lane in St. Mychan's P'sh, p'cell of Blackfriars, and 45s. costs."

Walter Ball, Alderman of Dublin, in his will dated 1598, bequeaths to his family certain land purchased by him from Arlandon Ussher in the Co. Westmeath.

Arland Ussher\* died the 19th August, 1598, and was buried on the 20th August in St. Werburgh's Church. This seems to confirm the fact of his house being in Nicholas Street.

<sup>•</sup> The Exors. of Arland Ussher held in Co. Meath, Mortimer's lease in Newfield and Knockmark, the rectory of Knockmark, the Tithes of St. Bridget and Davidstown, Donaghmore and Stonehall. Co. Louth, lands in Ballybalricke, late possessions of Jo. Burnell, attainted. (No. 57, Cal. I. S. P., 1607).

Arland had issue by his wife Margaret Stanihurst, who died 1609:

- 1. John Ussher, who died young.
- 11. Elizabeth Ussher, d. unmd.
- 111. Sarah Ussher, m. Theophilus Buckworth, Bishop of Dromore, who was born near Wisbeach, retired in 1642 to England and died at Whitehall in 1652, in the 92nd year of his age.
- IV. Ellinor Ussher, who died 22nd Nov., 1640 and was buried in St. Patrick's, Trim, the 26th, m. Robert Lill, gent., J.P., Provost of Trim, who died 17th April, 1667, and was buried on the 19th in St. Patrick's, Trim, and by whom she had issue:
  - 2. James Lill. 3. Cecily Lill, m. Thos. 1. William Lill. Borrowes of Stradown, Co. Cavan, and had issue : Robert, Hugh, Thos., Alexr., Martha m. Thos. Fleming of Lism<sup>c</sup>louge. From Thos. is descended the present Mr. Borrows of Stradown. 4. Ann Lill. 5. Mary Lill, m. Henry Pakenham of Tullynally or Pakenham Hall, who d. 20th Ano. K. Chas. II. and was buried in Mayne Church ; she d. 12th June, 1665, leaving issue 4 sons and 3 drs., viz. : Thomas, Theophilus, d.s.p.; Henry, d.s.p.; William of Carne, Co. W'meath; Eleanor, m. John Smyth of Kiltomb; Mary and Martha. Of these, Thos., born 1651, Knt., decd. 1706, had issue Edwd., who was father of THOMAS PAKENHAM, BARON LONGFORD, 1756, and ancestor of the present Earl.
- v. James Ussher, Archbishop of Armagh (of whom below in Chap. IX).
- v1. Ambrose Ussher, born abt 1582, M.A., Fellow T.C.D., 1601, died unmd. in 1629. He was a celebrated Oriental Scholar and well acquainted with the Arabic and Hebrew languages. His MSS. are in Trin. Coll. Dub., and include a translation of the Bible in 3 vols. 4to., made before the authorized version. In 1616 he had a parish in the Co. Louth. In the Rawlinson MSS. in the Bodl. Lib. are 2 vols. called Codex Chartaceus ° 849, presented by James Tyrrell the Historian, and contain-

ing many letters, among which is a letter of Ambrose Ussher, which we here subjoin :---

"Henry Brigges, my recomendations not forgotten. My brother directed me to send unto you such things as could be conveyed to London for his use, wherefore I intreat you to deliver unto him these foure letters with nine pounds of money wch you shall receave fro' this bearer Mr. John Frith, also to deliver to Mr. Bedwell thother letter together with the Arabique book. And think nothing my doubt of your cure heerin, in hope of further acquaintance in time to come. I end.

"Yours,

"AMBROSE USSHER, "1606."

Among the MSS. in T.C.D. are Ambrose Ussher's brief Catechism, 12mo. Forms of Prayer, etc.

Translation of the Psalms by Ambrose Ussher.

Ambrose Ussher stayed some time at Cambridge for the sake of study, and Mr. Wm. Eyre, a great Orientalist at Cambridge, in a letter to James Ussher, says, "Interea vero agnosco me valde obeeratum esse tibi et doctissimo juveni, fratri tuo Ambrosio qui peritissima manu sua quædam in meum usum et Alcorano Arabice exscripsit." "But meanwhile I acknowledge myself greatly indebted to thee and to that most learned youth, thy brother Ambrose, who with his own most skilful hand copied out in Arabic certain things from the Alcoran for my use."

In Letter CXXXV. in Dr. Parr's life of Ussher, Dr. Bedell, Provost of T.C.D., on March 5th,  $162\frac{8}{9}$ , writes, "Mr. Usher's sudden taking away admonishes me to work while the day lasts." "Yesterday I was following Mr. Usher's funeral." Was he buried in the College Chapel or at St. Werburgh's with his parents?

- VII. Margaret Ussher, m. Robert Bermingham of Ballogh, Co. Dublin, who died 13th March, 1638. She was buried at St. Werburgh's, Dub., 27th Novr., 1630. By Robert Bermingham, she had issue :
  - 1. Wm. Bermingham who died young.
  - 2. James Birmingham, J.P., m. Ellinor, dr. of Nichs. Fitz-

William of Baldungan, Co. Dub. and had issue: Nicholas and James.

- 3. Theophilus Bermingham.
- 4. Ellinor Bermingham, m. Wm. Halpenny of Clonekeane, Co. Louth, gent.
- 5. Alson Bermingham, m. John Fleming of Ardagh, Co. Meath, gent.
- Margaret Bermingham, m. 1st, Barth. Staples of Drogheda; 2ndly, Darditz.
- Mabel Bermingham, m. John Stearne of Greenane, Co. Down Official to Theophilus, Lord Bishop of Dromore, and Henry, Lord Bishop of Down, and had issue by him: (1) Jas. Stearne, LL.D. (2) Wm. Stearne, d. young, (3) John Stearne, M.D., m. Dorothy Ryves, and had John Stearne, Vicar of Trim, and Bp. of Clogher, Bridget m. John Rotton, and Mabelm. Thos. Hall. (4) Capt. Robert Stearne of Tullynally, Co. Westmeath, m. Margaret Stevens and had issue: Robt., John and six drs., Anne m. John Coddington, Mabel m. Robert Tighe, in 1681 Eleanor, m. Matthew Smith, Frisweed m... Brunton, Elizabeth, m. Rev. Jonathan Ball, and Katherine.
- 8. Sarah Bermingham m. Andrew Buckworth.
- 9. Anna Bermingham.
- v111. Mabel Ussher, m. Right Rev. Lewis Jones,\* Bishop of Killaloe before 1609.

Lewis Jones, a native of Merionethshire, died in Dublin, 2nd Nov., 1646, in the 104th year of his age, and was buried in St. Werburgh's Church. He was called the vivacious Bishop of Killaloe and is said to have married a young wife after he was threescore years old, by whom he had with others:

- (1) Sir Theophilus Jones of Osbertstown (see in Chap. XI.)
- (2) Colonel Michael Jones, Governor of Dublin.
- (3) Henry Jones, Bishop of Meath.

<sup>•</sup> In the Rawlinson MS. Cod. 849, p. 369E. 45 is a letter to James Ussher from his br.-in-law Lewis Jones, Dean of Cashel. "I wish you a prosperous journey to England; set all things in order and make your will." "I writt to you desire your mother to send me some good seeds for my garden, and I will pay for it." A'thed, 23 Feb, 160§.

From the first of these descended three females, who printed the sheets of Harris' Ware.

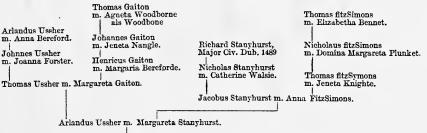
Ambrose Jones, Bp. of Kildare, was another son of the Bp. of Killaloe.

- 1x. Thomasina Ussher.
- x. Anne Ussher, who m. Wm. Hilton, Baron of the Irish Exchequer, who in 1651 d.s.p. His will pr. same year, appoints br. Robert Lill, exor., and nephew John Stearne, overseer. She was buried in St. Werburgh's Church about the beginning May, 1651. Dr. Arthur in his Diary, writes : "1626, Wiliam Hilton, Judge of the Court of Royal Faculties, for his wife, the Ld. Primate's sister, 26th March, £1."

# CHAPTER IX.

### PRIMATE JAMES USSHER.

Pedigree of the descent of James Ussher from his own handwriting in T.C.D., MS., D. 4, 6.

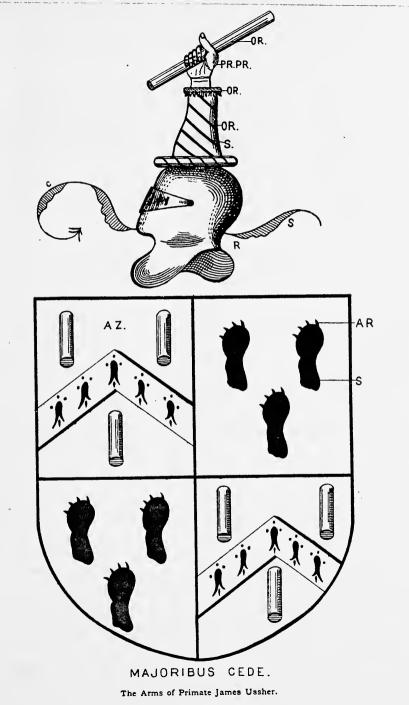


Jacobus.

JAMES USSHER, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland, was the second son of Arland Ussher, one of the six clerks of Chancery, and his wife Margaret Stanihurst.

The life of this illustrious Prelate has been written by Drs. Bernard, Parr, Smith, Dillingham, Ware, Elrington and others. All that the present writer can attempt is to give an epitome of the leading events of his life, drawn from various materials in print, adding a few fresh facts.

James Ussher was born in Nicholas Street, Dublin, in the parish of St. Nicholas Within, on the 4th Jan<sup>3.,</sup> 158<sup>°</sup>, was baptized either in St. Nicholas' .



From Brit. Mus. Add. MS., 5855, fo. 66 b

or St. Werburgh's Church, and went to a school in School house Lane, kept by James Hamilton, afterwards Viscount Clandeboye, and James Fullerton, who under the guise of pedagogues were in reality agents for King James VI. of Scotland, and were afterwards appointed Fellows of Trinity Coll., Dublin. As Bishop Reeves points out in his introduction to Carroll's History of St. Bride's Parish, he walked every morning along the High Street and Cornmarket and by St. Audoen's Church to his studies.

Ussher praised much two aunts, blind from their infancy, who had such wonderful memories, as he used to tell, as to be able to repeat most of the Bible by heart, and who, he said, were the first to teach him English. These were probably Alice and Katherine Ussher, his father's sisters.

At school he became in a short time the most proficient scholar in Latin, poetry and rhetoric.

He was at this time very fond of poetry, and also it is said of card playing, but when only twelve or thirteen years old, on reading a book of History, and reflecting on a saying of Cicero's, "Nescire quid antea quam sis acciderit, id est, semper esse Puerum," *i.e.*, " to be ignorant of what has happened before your birth, is to be always a child," he determined on the study of Antiquity and every kind of learning, a resolution which he carried out in a wonderful manner, for at 14 years of age he had reduced to synoptic tables the events of Antiquity.

In 1593 the building of Trinity College in Dublin being finished, James Ussher, then in his thirteenth year entered as a scholar. It was said that he was the first scholar elected on the roll, but from an old list it would appear that he was the 2nd scholar and the 8th Fellow elected by merit. While there he studied Languages, History and Theology. In 1598, being then B.A., he intended to prepare himself for the Ministry, but his father wished him to study Law, which he would, though unwillingly, have done but that his father's death set him free. Though he was heir, yet he then gave over his inheritance to his brother and sisters, only keeping enough to buy some books and maintain him in College. However he drew up an exact schedule of all the estates and leases left him, with all the suits and incumbrances on them, which he entrusted to his uncle for the benefit of his brother and sisters.

In his 18th year he conducted a dispute with Henry FitzSymons, a Jesuit

then imprisoned in Dublin Castle, who was so severely handled, that he declined to continue the conference and afterwards called him "Acatholicorum doctissimus."

In 1600, being twenty years old, he took his Master's degree, and was chosen Catechist reader in the College, and being greatly pressed by his friends, who felt the power of his learning, he was ordained Deacon and Priest in 1601 on the Sunday before Christmas and in his twenty-first year, by his uncle Primate Henry Ussher. After this, having been appointed to preach at Christ Church on Sunday afternoons before the Lord Deputy, he handled the chief points of the controversy between the Roman and Anglican Churches with great ability.

In 1603 the English army, after the battle of Kinsale, raised £1,800 to buy books for a library in Trinity College, and entrusted the money to Dr. Luke Challoner and James Ussher, who went to England, and both there and from the Continent procured the best that they could obtain.

About this time the Chancellorship of St. Patrick's, Dublin, was conferred on him by Archbishop Loftus, and there he lived single for some years, and was visited by Camden in 1607, who in the last edition of his Britannia, p. 995, says : "Most of which (as to Dublin) I acknowledge to owe to the diligence and labours of James Ussher, Chancellor of St. Patrick's, who in various learning and judgment far exceeds his years."

In 1607, in his twenty-seventh year, he took the degree of B.D., and soon after was chosen Professor of Divinity in Dublin University, which post he held thirteen years, lecturing every week through the whole year.

In 1609 he went over to England to buy books, and while there made great researches both at Oxford and Cambridge, and made the acquaintance of many learned friends, and after this he used to go over once every three years, spending one month of the summer at Oxford, another at Cambridge, and the rest at London.

In 1610 he was chosen Provost of Trin. Coll. Dublin, but declined the post lest it might interfere with his theological studies.

In Letter VII., Oct. 4, 1611, in writing to a friend about the post of Master of Armagh school, he says: "I have dealt since with my uncle, the

primate, both for the annual stipend in the proportion of the land lying about the school; and do find him constant in his promise."

During this period he preached every Sunday at Finglas, where he received tithes, with part of which he endowed a Vicarage there, (cf. Pat. Rol. 9. Jac. i.) "To present James Usher to the Chancellorship of St. Patr. and to Finglas Rectory thereunto annexed and held by Adam, late Archbishop of Dublin in commendam, who conferred the same on the said Usher, notwithstanding that the presentation thereto devolved on the king, 'jure devoluto,' and by reason of his royal prerogative, on account of the vacancy occurring during ad commendam, 12th July, 1611."

In 1613 he took the degree of D.D., to which he was admitted by Primate Hampton. In that year he published his first treatise *De Ecclesiarum Christianarum Successione et Statu*, in London. To this in 1615 his uncle Richard Stanihurst published a reply in the form of a letter.

About 1614 Ussher married Pheebe, only dr. of his friend Dr. Luke Challoner, who on his death bed in 1613, had requested her to marry no one else but him, if he were willing.

Dr. Ussher held the parish of Assye, near Balsoon, until the 17th Jac. i. From the Rawlinson MS. C. 849, p. 349B in the Bodleian, we extract these accounts, written by Ussher on the back of letters in 1615, as illustrating his mode of life. They are now published for the first time.

"At St. Patrick's at 5s. ye week meat cometh in ye year to 13%.

Bread, 1 peck of wheat a fortnight, in y <sup>e</sup> year 26 (pecks)	) rating every peck of oatmalt at $3s. 4d.$ , of wheat & bearemalt at $6s. 8d.$ cometh per an.
Drink for every month Bearmalt 1 peck 12 Oatmalt 2 24	<pre>to { 16 13s. 4d. } vz bread</pre>
Servants' wages	, ,
Stall wages 31.	
20th pt. (payd April 24, 1615) 57s.	3 <i>d</i> 16 <i>s</i> .
by 2, 37s. 7d.	
Horse 31.	
Phebe's Apparell 401." [This was	Mrs. Ussher.]

Also on another letter he writes :

"About Septer. 23, 1615, given to Phebe, 17s. for a hat; 20s. for a petticoate; 10s. for shoes shee had. 4: 5. 2.

One part fro. 'tiar endeth at Easter, 1618, y<sup>e</sup> other from Christ Church at Easter, 1625.

Bolsrett for Easter 1615 beside wch are only 4/. wch Sir Wil. Uſcher for  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years, so I am accountable for y<sup>t</sup>."

Also a letter from a Roman Catholic relative who was in prison and requested his interest to get out, and thus addressed :

"To the Right Worshipful my verie loving cossen Doctor James Ussher, at his lodgings in the Strand, right over against Salisbury House."

All these are contained in two MS. volumes containing Theological treatises by Dr. Ussher, and presented to the Bodleian by his grandson James Tyrrell.

Dr. Ussher was appointed Vicar of Trim in 17th Jac. i. (cf. Pat. Rol. 17 Jac. i. Dorso) on April 10th.

In 1619 and 1620 being in England and recommended by the Lord Deputy and Council and also greatly approved of by the king, he was nominated by him to the Bishopric of Meath. King James is reported to have said that "Ussher was a Bishop of his own making."

In this year his dr. Elizabeth was born and baptized in London.

On his return to Ireland in 1621 he was consecrated on June 26, 19th Jac. i., by Primate Hampton and two other Prelates, in St. Peter's, Drogheda. He now preached constantly, and had the words of St. Paul, "Vae mihi, si non evangelizavero," engraved on his Episcopal Seal, which he continued in the Seal of the Primacy.

In Sept. 28th, 1621, he writes from Dublin when on his way to conduct the Visitation of Meath.

It was in the collection of MSS. for his work on the "The Antiquities of the British Churches" that he came on the famous "Book of Kells," under a note in which, by Gerald Plunket, who had got it from Richard Plunket, last Abbot of Kells, Ussher wrote: "August 24, 1621. I received the leaves of this booke and found them to be in number 344. He who reckoned before me counted six score to the hundred. Ja. Ussher [Episcopus] Midensis Elect." This MS. came with Ussher's collections to T.C.D. in 1661.

In 1623, by a letter dated Westminster, June 13th, he was appointed a Privy Councillor, and when some Irish Roman Catholics of position refused to take the oath of supremacy he reasoned with them so well, that they were convinced and submitted. By letter LIII., he would appear to have been living at Finglas, March 18th, 1623. A letter to him from Primate Hampton, dated October 17th, 1622, says that a sermon preached by him was taken exception to, and that "it would not be amiss of you to leave Dublin and to spend more time in your own diocess that such as wont hear Doctrine may love and reverence you for your hospitality and conversation." This he appears to have done, for he writes to Hampton from Finglas, August 6th, 1623-" I will not fail to be present at the Assizes at Trim, as the Ld. Depy. is proceeding against the clergy." In 1623 King James hearing that Bishop Ussher was going to compile the Antiquities of the British Churches, urged him to go on with it, and wrote to the Irish Council to grant him leave of absence in order to consult the MSS. in the English Libraries. This being granted he accordingly went over to London in 1624, and preached on June 20th, before the King at Wanstead, a sermon on the Universality of the Christian Church and the Unity of the Catholic Church, which the king ordered to be printed.

Concerning this journey the Bishop of Coventry wrote from Eccleshall, July 19th, 1623, that as Eccleshall was in the way to London, he wished to be Ussher's host. Ussher seems to have stayed at Oxford also, as on the 28th January, 1624, Dr. James writes—"I am informed you passed this way not far from us to London, where you have remained for some few weeks," and on April11th, 1624, James writes that Ussher wanted a house at Godstow of Sir Thos. Walters, not far from Oxford, and mentions two others, Water Eaton, and Waterstock, near Oxford, for facilitating of his studies."

Wm. Eyre also writes from Cambridge, March 7th, 1624—"Quite lately I heard of your arrival in England and stay for some months."

On September 9th, 1624, a letter was addressed to him at Wicken Hall. On January 2nd, 1625, he writes from Great Hadham in Herts where he stayed collating MSS., and there also he had a severe sickness and recovered, and Sir H. Bourgehier writes to him at that place also on April 7th, 1625.

While Ussher was in England, Primate Hampton died on the 3rd January, 1625, and King James about six days before his own death promoted the

Bishop of Meath to the vacant See of Armagh on the 21st of March, to the delight of all the Irish Church. But his return to Ireland was delayed for nine months by a quartan ague, for which he was treated by the King's doctors.

It was during this time that at the request of Lady Mordaunt, afterwards Countess of Peterborough, when hardly recovered, he went in November, 1625, to Drayton in Northamptonshire, where Lord Mordaunt, afterwards Earl of Peterborough, lived, to engage in a conference with a Jesuit named Beaumont. They met there, and on the fourth day the Jesuit declined to renew the controversy. The result of this was the conversion of Lord Mordaunt to the English Church.

The biographers seem to be in the dark as to the succeeding half year of Ussher's life. Parr says he returned to Ireland in August, 1626, but an interesting Diary which first saw the light in 1867, brings out clearly a memorable time in his career, and explains origin of the unfounded tradition as to his flying to Lambay Island from the plague in 1650, which he could not have done, as he left Ireland in 1640, and never returned.

Dr. Arthur, a Roman Catholic physician of Limerick, in his Latin Diary, 1619, 1627 (published by Mr. Maurice Lenihan in the Journal of the Kilkenny Archaeol. Soc., 1867), says :\* "But then, the Lord James Ussher, Doctor and pseudo-primate of Armagh, having lately returned from England,

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;Tunc autem Dñs Jacobus Vssherus doctor 't pseudo-primas Armachanus ex Anglià nuper reversus, ubi diu cù morbo gravi reluctatus, cui profligando regiorum medicorum operam sûmiş expensis imploratam nequicquam expertus, ad me accersitum misit. Proveni ad eum DrogLedae in suâ aulâ comorantem 27° die martij 1625. Deinde audita ipsius relatione 't perspectis clarissimorû medicorum rescriptis et serio perpensis symptomatibus quae per totius morbi historiā oriebantur. Ex his mihi videbar explorata habuisse ancipitis 't in dies invalaesentis morbi causam, hactenus complures viros clarissimos latentem : quâ ubi facto conjecturae meae laevi periculo perfectă consequutum me fuisse cognovi, confidenter eius curam in me suscepi nec me vsquam spes fefellit. Hujus gravis 't contumacis morbi regiorum 't clarissimori Angliae medicoru opera eludentis cura, in tam eminenti 't propter eruditione conspicuo homine, me inter Anglos (quibus Catholicæ religionis causa exosus eram) celebrem 't gratii reddidit." "1626, 14º Aprilis concomitatus sum Dnm Primatem in insulà Lambeij dictam, ubi remoti a turba visitantium, incubuimus grauiter, et vacavimus curae 't profligationi contumacissimi morbi ad 8ª diem mensis Junij subsequétis : tunc ante evicto morbo, 't ipso pristinae sanitati restituto præter com-pluria' expectationê, reversi sum' Dubliniu, ubi a Proregé 't cœteris regni Ordinibus nobis obvia euntibus, honorifice suscepti fuimus 9° Junij. Tunc ego Proregi Domino Vicecomiti faulkland indaganti consilium profectionis nostrae in illam Insulam, 't totius morbi historiam, et in quibus Regii medici erraverint, ita philosophice exposui, ut abunde sibi satisfactum fuisse ingenue fateretur; 't omnë pristinae invidiae 't malevolentiae ausam a me procul propelleret, et exinde me sibi 't charissimis suis omnibus in medicū assumpsit. Dus Primas pro impensà mea opera 14º Junij dedit mibi, £51."

where he was struggling long against a grievous disease, overcome by which he had sought and tried in vain the assistance of the King's physicians at very great expense, sent and summoned me. I went to him while staying at Drogheda in his palace, on the 22nd day of March, 1622. Then having heard his story and examined the prescriptions of the most famous physicians, and seriously thought over the symptoms which arose through the history of the whole disease, from these I seemed to myself to have explored and found the cause of the doubtful and daily increasing disease, which was hidden from many most famous men; and when I knew after some small experiment as to the truth of my conjecture, that I had perfectly understood it, I confidently undertook his cure, nor did hope anywhere deceive me. The cure of this grievous and obstinate disease which had eluded the treatment of the most famous physicians of the King in England, in the case of a man so eminent and conspicuous on account of his learning, made me famed and valued among the English (to whom I had been hateful by reason of the Catholic religion)."

And again, "1626, 14th of April, I accompanied the Lord Primate to the island called Lambay, where remote from the crowd of visitors, we stayed with dignity and were free for the cure of and struggle with that most obstinate disease to the eighth day of the following June; then the disease having been first overcome, and he restored to his former health beyond the expectation of very many, we returned to Dublin, where we were honorably received by the Viceroy and other officials of State coming to meet us on the 9th of June. Then I explained the matter so philosophically to the Viceroy, Lord Viscount Falkland, who had enquired the design of our departure to that island, and the history of the whole disease, and wherein the King's physicians had been mistaken, that he acknowledged nobly that he was abundantly satisfied, and removed far from me all occasion of former envy and ill-will, and he henceforward used me as a physician to himself and all his family. The Lord Primate gave me for my aid rendered, on the 14th of June,  $\pounds 51$ ."

Dr. Arthur mentions also that he received from the Lord Primate Ussher on the 7th January, 1627, for advice £1, and again on 20th December, 1629, £11, and that he treated Mrs. Phœbe Ussher on 9th April, 1626, 30th November, 1632, and 13th November, 1633, and James Ussher on 7th October and 2nd November, 1632.

King James before his death had made Dr. Ussher a grant of the Temporalities of the Primacy from the death of his predecessor; and King Charles I. also gave him an order on the Treasury for £400 to be paid immediately on his return to Ireland.

During Ussher's absence in England his mother through her brother's

influence seceded to the Roman Communion. This was always a matter of grief to him, and Smith says: "It grieved him not a little that being detained in the city by the sacred matters of the Church, he was not present with his beloved mother when suddenly attacked by the death agony at Drogheda, so that he might have previously aided the departing soul by spiritual counsels and have commended her by his prayers to God."

When he arrived, he set to work to reform his diocese, and then to correct the disorders in his Ecclesiastical Courts, though it is doubtful whether he succeeded well in the latter matter. Stewart in his History of Armagh thinks that his failure in this, and his lack of toleration, were among the very few things to be censured in his life

In Michaelmas Term, Lord Falkland summoned an assembly of the representatives of the whole nation, both Romanists and Protestants, to Dublin Castle, and wished to oblige the Roman Catholics to consent to a tax for maintaining 500 foot and 500 horse, on condition of a fuller toleration of their religion. Ussher and the other Bishops entered a protest against this, and the next year he and the Bishop of Derry preached on the subject before the Deputy and Council; by which means the project fell through. But at the request of the Deputy, the Primate made a speech to the assembly, urging them to aid the King's necessities, without any conditions. This he did, but without success, though had his advice been followed, the awful rising of 1641, which was in a manner predicted by him, could not have taken place.

About this time the Archbishop, by means of Mr. Thomas Davis, Chaplain to the Turkey Company at Aleppo, obtained one of the first Sumaritan Pentateuchs ever brought into the West of Europe, and also the Old Testament in Syriac, together with many other valuable manuscripts.

In 1627, Blair, the Presbyterian minister of Bangor, Co. Down, relates that he paid two visits to Primate Ussher, the first at his town house in the eity of Dublin, and the second at his primatial residence in Drogheda. Of these visits, Blair in his autobiography has given an account which may be taken cum grano salis, and which, as illustrating Ussher's deportment towards Nonconformists, may be here quoted : "In March, 1627," says Blair, "My noble Patron (Lord Clandeboye) having had a great esteem of Primate Ussher, would have me accompany him to a meeting of the nobility and gentry of Ulster with the Primate. Accordingly I went and had a kind invitation to be at his table while in town. But, having met with the English Liturgy

there, I left my excuse with my Patron, that I expected another than formal liturgies in the family of so learned and pious a man. The Primate excused himself by reason of the great confluence that was there, and had the good nature to entreat me to come to Drogheda, where his ordinary residence was and where he would be more at leisure to be better acquainted with me. I complied with the Primate's invitation, and found him very affable and ready to impart his mind. He desired to know what was my judgment concerning the nature of justifying and saving faith. I told him in general that I held that accepting Jesus Christ, as he is freely offered in the Gospel, to be saving faith. With this he was well satisfied, and by a large discourse confirmed and further cleared the same by the similitude of a marriage, where it is not the sending or receiving the gifts, but the accepting the person that constitutes the From this he passed on to try my mind concerning ceremonies marriage. wherein we were not so far from agreeing as I feared, for when I had freely opened my grievances he admitted that all these things ought to have been removed, but the constitution and laws of the place and time would not permit that to be done. He added that he was afraid our strong disaffection to these would mar our ministry, that he had himself been importuned to stretch forth his hand against us, and that though he would not for the world do that, he feared instruments might be found, who would do it; and he added that it would break his heart if our successful ministry in the north were interrupted. Our conversation ending, he dismissed me very kindly, though I gave him no high titles; and when trouble came upon us, he proved our very good friend as will appear in the sequel."

In 1631 the Archbishop helped him and another out of a difficulty they had with Bishop Echlin of Down, but in 1632, being applied to by them again he could do nothing for them, as the matter was in the hands of the Government.

In 1628 he commenced a correspondence with William Laud, Bishop of London, afterwards Archbishop of Canterbury, which ripened into a deep friendship.

In 1630 the King wrote to Ussher on the 30th April to take care to remedy the abuses in the Church, not only among the inferior clergy but the Bishops. By virtue of this authority he carried out great reforms through his Province.

In 1631 he published at Dublin the History of Gottschalk and the persecutions that he underwent.

We find in the Dublin Assembly Rolls for Easter, 1632, that "a Lease was made to Archbishop Jas. Usher, Primate, of a plot of ground walled

about, facing his house on Hoggan Green, for 99 years, containing from the Ditch westwd. 10 yds. and from North to South 30 yds. at £5 sterlg."

In 1632 he published also in Dublin a collection of ancient letters on Irish matters, from A.D. 590 to 1180.

In 1634, at the opening of Parliament he preached before the Lord Deputy Strafford and the two Houses, at St. Patrick's, Dublin, and at the Convocation proposed that the Thirty-nine Articles should be accepted by the Church of Ireland; which was accordingly done. But when Bishop Bramhall wished the English Canons to be accepted, Ussher opposed him, as it was against the liberties of the Irish Church, and so a compromise was made, some being received and other new ones added.

In 1638 he published in Dublin a book in English concerning the Incarnation of the Son of God.

1639. He published about the end of this year, in Dublin, his celebrated work entitled "The Antiquities of the British Churches," which he dedicated to King Charles I.

In the year 1640 he left Ireland for England, and an interesting story is told by Wodrow in his "Analecta" about him on this journey.

"It appears that Ussher having read the works of Rutherford, a learned Scottish Presbyterian minister, and having also heard of his great success and sweetness in preaching, resolved to go to England by way of Scotland, in order that he might visit the parish of Anworth in Galloway, where Rutherford officiated, and (without being known himself) might see and hear its distinguished minister. Accordingly, accompanied by a servant, he arrived at Anworth. It was a Saturday night when he got there, and as there happened no place near the Church where he could stay except in Mr. Rutherford's house, he went there and enquired if Mr. Rutherford was at home. Mr. Rutherford's wife told him that he was, whereupon Ussher said that he was a stranger come from some distance, and designed to stay at Anworth till Monday; but not being able to find any place where to stop in, he asked if he might have access to Mr. Rutherford's house. Mrs. Rutherford seeing him to be a gentleman and in good habit, desired him to alight, and signified that she desired to know his name. He said his name was James Ussher. No one in the house recognised the Primate under that name, and Mrs. Rutherford went and acquainted her husband and made Ussher welcome as a stranger, and left him to supper time, when nothing occurred to discover him. On the Sunday morning early Ussher went out into the fields, and came to a thicket of trees, a sweet retired place where Mr. Rutherford used often to retire. There

the Primate spent some time alone in prayer for the Lord's blessing on the services of the day. When Mr. Rutherford came out as was his ordinary, knowing nothing of the other being there till he drew near and heard his voice in prayer, and listening, he perceived a very extraordinary gift of prayer. Being wonderfully taken with it, he stayed till it was ended, and the other came out. Then, when he saw him, the name his wife told him struck him, and presently addressing him, he asked, 'Are you the great and learned Ussher?' The other answered, 'I am he whom some men are pleased to term so.' Then Mr. Rutherford greeted him most affectionately and said, 'You must preach for me to-day.' 'Nay,' said the other, 'I came to hear you preach and to be acquainted with you, and I will hear you.' 'Well,' said Mr. Rutherford, 'I will take the forenoon and you the afternoon.' And so Mr. Rutherford preached in the forenoon and the Primate in the afternoon, to each other's great satisfaction. The Primate's text was John xv. 12—'This is my commandment that ye love one another, as I have loved you.'"

Another curious anecdote is contained in the Harl. MS. 6395, British Museum:

"The learned Usher one day hastening to preach at Paul's Cross, entered the shop of one of the stationers, as booksellers were then called, and inquiring for a Bible of the London Edition, when he came to look for his text, to his astonishment and horror, he discovered that the verse was omitted in the Bible! This gave the first occasion of complaint to the king of the insufferable negligence and incapacity of the London press; and, says the MS. writer of this anecdote, first bred that great contest which followed, between the University of Cambridge and the London Stationers about the right of printing Bibles."

When the Primate, about the beginning of 1640, went to England with his wife and daughter, he meant to stay a year or two about his private affairs and then to return, but not long after his arrival he wentfrom London to Oxford, both for quiet, and to pursue his studies in the Libraries. He had lodgings in Christ Church, and after a while returned again to London, where he was residing in 1641 during the trial and execution of the Earl of Strafford. This was a great source of sorrow to him. He said to Charles I., as the king repeated in the presence of Col. Wm. Legge and Mr. Kirk, "O, Sire, what have you done? I fear that this act may prove a great trouble to your conscience, and pray God that your Majesty may never suffer by the signing of this bill."

In the Irish rebellion, in October of that year, the rebels plundered his houses in the country, seized on his rents, quite ruined or destroyed his tenements, killed or drove away his numerous flocks and herds of cattle which

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were of great value, and left him nothing but his Library and some furniture in his house in Drogheda, which was long besieged by the rebels. This library was afterwards conveyed to Chester and thence to London; consequently, he was obliged to sell or pawn all his plate and jewels.

He was at this time offered the post of Honorary Professor by the city and University of Leyden; and Dr. Bernard says that he was also invited into France with a promise of a large pension and religious freedom, by Cardinal Richelieu, who also sent him a gold medal with his own effigy, and a kind letter, on his publishing his work on the origin of the British Churches. Ussher in returning thanks sent the Cardinal a present of Irish greyhounds and other rarities.

In 1642 he removed again to Oxford shortly before the King's coming, and there stayed in Bishop Prideaux's house near Exeter College.

In Oxford he pursued his studies, and also preached every Sunday at some Church or other. In the summer of 1643 he was nominated to be one of the Assembly of Divines at Westminister, but on his refusal to attend, not only did the Puritans vote him out again, but the Committee for Delinquents' estates ordered his valuable books in Chelsea College to be seized, which would have been sold, but that Mr. John Selden obtained them for his own use, and so got hold of them and secured for the Primate's use such as were not stolen or embezzled away; many papers and collections of his own writing were, however, lost.

In 1645 Dr. Ussher left Oxford, for fear of a siege, and on the invitation of Sir Timothy Tyrrell (who had married his only daughter Elizabeth) to come to Cardiff in South Wales, where Sir Timothy was then Governor and General of the Ordnance, he went as far as Bristol, and thence to Cardiff, where they welcomed him gladly. Here he stayed almost a year in safety, and pursued his studies, having brought many chests of books with him, but at last he was forced to leave through the break up of the garrison and the departure of Sir Timothy, and then accepted an invitation from the Dowager Lady Stradling to come to St. Donate's Castle. When he was ready to go with his daughter Lady Tyrrell, the country was up in arms, and in trying to get through, they fell into the hands of some rebels, who broke open and plundered his chests of books and papers, and pulled Ussher and his com-

panions off their horses. However others of better character conducted him to St. Donate's, where he was taken very ill and was near dying, but fortunately recovered.

In 1646 he intended to go abroad, but was prevented by a bitter Puritan Admiral named Molton; and then received an invitation from the Countess Dowager of Peterborough to live at her house. This offer he accepted, and left St. Donate's after nearly a year's residence. In June he arrived safely in London and continued to stay with Lady Peterborough at one or other of her houses till his death. Not long after his arrival he retired to the Countess' house at Reigate in Surrey.

In the beginning of 1647 he was chosen preacher at Lincoln's Inn, and continued in the office for nearly eight years, the Society providing furnished rooms at which he might stay from time to time, and also rooms for his Library, which was now brought up from Chester, being now almost all that he had remaining.

From the preface to the Autobiography of Lord Herbert of Cherbury the Neo-Platonist, who died in 1648, aged 67, we learn that "he sent for Primate Ussher and would have received the Sacrament, saying indifferently of it, that if there was good in anything, it was in that, or if it did no good, it could do no harm; to which the Primate objecting refused, though many blamed him. Then having inquired the time, he said, 'An hour hence I depart,' and turning his head on the other side he expired serenely."

Ussher preached before King Chas. I. at Newport, Isle of Wight, on the 19th of November, 1648, the King's birthday, and after he had said farewell, he returned to Southampton in order to go to London. While there he was hindered preaching by the Governor of the Garrison.

And now the sad close of his royal master's life was at hand. "On the day of the King's execution," as was related to Dr. Parr by Mr. James Tyrrel, the Primate's grandson, who heard it from the mouth of his servant, who lived with him till his death, "Lady Peterborough's house being just over against Charing Cross, divers of the Countess's gentlemen and servants got upon the leads of the house, from whence they could plainly see what was acting before Whitehall; as soon as his Majesty came upon the scaffold, some of the household came and told Dr. Ussher of it, and asked him

if he would see the king once more before he was put to death ; he was at first unwilling, but was at last persuaded to go up; as well out of his desire to see his majesty once again ; as also curiosity, since he could scarce believe what they told him, unless he saw it : when he came upon the leads, the king was in his speech; the Primate stood still, and said nothing, but sighed; and lifting up his hands and eyes (full of tears) towards heaven, seemed to pray earnestly; but when his Majesty had done speaking, and pulled off his cloak and doublet, and stood stripped in his waistcoat, and that the villains in vizards began to put up his hair, the good Bishop no longer able to endure so dismal a sight, and being full of grief and horror for that most wicked fact now ready to be executed, grew pale, and began to faint; so that if he had not been observed by his own servant and some others that stood near him (who thereupon supported him) he had swooned away. So they presently carried him down, and laid him on his bed, where he used those powerful weapons which God has left his people in such afflictions, viz., prayers and tears; tears that so horrid a sin should be committed, and prayers that God would give his prince patience and constancy to undergo these cruel sufferings; and that he would likewise not (for the vindication of his own honour and providence) permit so great a wickedness to pass unpunished." He always kept the anniversary of the King's death fasting.

Shortly after this, John Evelyn says in his Diary, "25th March, 1649, in the morning I heard the Archbishop of Armagh, that pious person and learned man, Usher, in Lincoln's Inn Chapel,"—and again June 7th, "Preached the Archbishop of Armagh in Lincoln's Inn from Romans v. v. 13."

Again in 1652, 29th March, "I heard that excellent prelate, the Primate of Ireland (Jacobus Usher) preach in Lincoln's Inn, on Heb. iv. 16, encouraging of penitent sinners."

About the middle of 1650 Ussher finished the first part of his famous work, "Annals of the Old Testament," and in 1654 he finished the second part.

Dr. Parr says that Oliver Cromwell sent in 1654 for Dr. Ussher, who went unwillingly, and was received with great outward kindness and civility; the conversation was chiefly about advancing the *Protestant* interest abroad and at home. On that occasion Oliver promised to give him a lease for twenty-one years of some lands belonging to the See of Armagh which he accepted on

account of his daughter and many grandchildren, but this was never really granted during Ussher's lifetime, and after his death was refused to his daughter and son-in-law on the score of "malignancy."

Mr. Selden died in the winter of 165<sup>‡</sup>, and on his death bed was visited and absolved by Primate Ussher (see Bodl. Rawlinson MS., B. 158, 175), who also preached his funeral sermon.

In 1655 he paid a second visit to the Protector in order to try to persuade him to allow liberty in private to the Episcopal clergy, and succeeded in getting a promise that they should not be molested; but on a third occasion when he endeavoured to get this in writing, Cromwell said he had further considered the matter, and could not do it.

At this time John Evelyn in his Diary under date 21st August, 1655, says : "I went to Ryegate to visit Mrs. Cary, at my Lady Peterborough's. At Ryegate was now the Archbishop of Armagh, the learned James Usher, whom I went to visit. He received me exceedingly kindly. In discourse with him, he told me how great the loss of time was to study much the Eastern languages; that excepting Hebrew, there was little fruit to be gathered of exceeding labour; that besides some mathematical books, the Arabic itself had little considerable; that the best text was the Hebrew Bible; that the Septuagint was finished in 70 days, but full of errors, about which he was then writing; that St. Hierome's was to be valued next the Hebrew; also that the 70 translated the Pentateuch only, the rest was finished by others; that the Italians at present understood but little Greek, and Kircher was a mountebank ; that Mr. Selden's best book was his Titles of Honour; that the Church would be destroyed by sectaries who would in all likelihood bring in Popery. In conclusion, he recommended to me the study of philology above all human studies; and so, with his blessing, I took my leave of this excellent person."

Primate Ussher wrote in his Almanack in 1656, opposite to his birthday— "Now Aged 75 years, *My days are full*;" and just after, in capital letters, "RESIGNATION."

In the month of February, 1656, he went again from London to Reigate, taking his last leave of his friends and relations, and set to work to finish his "Sacred Chronology"; being now far advanced in years, he was yet vigorous in body and mind, but through constant study his eye-sight was impaired, so

that he could hardly see to write, and "now his thoughts seemed altogether," says Dr. Parr, "to dwell on his departure from this world."

He fell ill of pleurisy on the 20th of March; next morning he complained of a severe pain in the side and hip, which his physicians were unable to alleviate; he bore it with great patience for 13 or 14 hours, constantly praying; on getting a little ease, he took his leave of his friends, and especially of the Countess of Peterborough, after which he desired to be left to his private devotions, and at 1 p.m. was heard to say his last words, "O Lord, forgive me, especially my sins of omission." He fell asleep shortly after, to the great loss and sorrow of the Church and all his friends, in his 76th\* year, which he would have completed in Jan., 1657.

"He had been," says Dr. Parr, "55 years a minister, nearly 14 years a Professor of Divinity in Dublin University, and several years Vice-Chancellor of it; sat as Bishop of Meath 4 years, and 31 years Archbishop of Armagh, being the 100th from St. Patrick in that See."

The Countess and his relations intended to have buried him in her vault, and had his body embalmed. The Protector, however, forbade Sir Timothy and Lady Tyrrell to have the body buried anywhere else than at Westminster Abbey, as he desired that there should be a public funeral. This funeral, though it brought Cromwell great praise for the so called liberality, only cost the Government  $\pounds 200$ , and the family three times that amount.

The funeral took place on April 17th, 1656, the crowd being so great at the Abbey, that a guard had to be sent. Dr. Nicholas Bernard, formerly his chaplain, preached the sermon from 1st Sam. xxv. 1—"And Samuel died, and all Israel were gathered together and lamented him and buried him." This sermon was afterwards printed by him with additions. The burial service of the Church of England was never allowed to be used, except for Archbishop Ussher, during the period of the Commonwealth.

As illustrating his influence with others than those of his own communion, it is stated that Richard Baxter, the Puritan Divine, wrote his book, "Call to the Unconverted," at the solicitation of the Primate. To a like effect Rev. Dr. Stanford, in his "Symbols of Christ," p. 317, gives this interesting

<sup>\*</sup> All writers hitherto have erred in giving 1580 as the year of the Primate's birth, through misunderstanding the old style. He was really born on Jan. 4th 1581.

anecdote—" Before me lies a faded MS. in the handwriting of a Puritan scholar, containing notes of his conversation with that holy Primate, Dr-James Ussher, in the year wherein he died. Early in that year he paid a visit to the writer who made humble request to him that he would give him on paper his thoughts touching the mysteries of justification and sanctification, and obtained his promise to do so. A few months later he visited him again, but without the promised document, and said in apology for his failure, 'I did begin to write, but when I came to do so of sanctification, that is, of the new creature that God forms by His Spirit in every soul, which he doth in truth regenerate, I found so little of it wrought in myself, that apprehending I should write as doth a parrot speak, by rote and without knowledge, I durst not presume to do so.'" A few days later still, in the moment when this meek and holy servant of Christ left the world, the attendant who saw his lips tremble and bent over to catch the whisper of his last breath, heard it pass away with the prayer, "God be merciful to me a sinner."

Dr. Parr gives the following description of James Ussher's personal appearance: "As for his personal appearance, he was indifferent tall, and well shaped, and went always upright to the last, his hair naturally brown when young; his complexion sanguine; his countenance expressed gravity and good nature; his carriage free; a presence that commanded both respect and reverence; and though many pictures have been made of him the air of his face was so hard to hit, that I never saw but one (that by Sir Peter Lilly) that was like him." Of his character, Bishop Burnett says, "Ussher had all the innocence of the dove."

Dr. Parr's life of him with three hundred letters to or from him, is the most considerable memoir of the many written. Concerning this, John Evelyn in his Diary, under date 18th April, 1686, writes—" In the afternoon I went to Camberwell to visit Dr. Parr. After sermon I accompanied him to his house, where he showed me the Life and Letters of the late learned Primate of Armagh (Usher), and among them that letter of Bishop Bramhall's to the Primate, giving notice of the Popish practices to pervert this nation, by sending a hundred priests into England, who were to conform themselves to all sectaries and conditions for the more easily dispersing their doctrine among us. This letter was the cause of the whole impression being seized,

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upon pretence that it was a political or historical account of things not relating to theology, though it had been licensed by the Bishop, which plainly showed what an interest the Papists now had—that a Protestant book containing the life and letters of so eminent a man was not to be published. There were also many letters to and from most of the learned persons his correspondents in Europe. The book will, I doubt not, struggle through this unjust impediment."

Rev. C. F. Wyatt, Broughton Rectory, Banbury, writes to me that in his copy of Parr's "Life of Ussher," he had pasted a cutting from Dr. Bliss' Library Catalogue—"Dr. G. Marshall, sometime Rector of Linc. Coll., had a very considerable hand in collecting this life of Archbp. Usher, but died the year before it was published," (MS. note by Dr. Arthur Charlett.)

## CHAPTER X.

LADY TYRRELL AND HER DESCENDANTS.

Pedigree of the Direct Descendants of James Ussher.

- JAMES USSHER, born 1581, died 1656, buried at Westminster Abbey, 17th April, m. in 1614, Phœbe, only dr. of Rev. Luke Challoner, D.D., and his first wife Rose, dr. of Ald<sup>n</sup> Walter Ball, Mayor of Dublin, and had issue by her:
  - I. ELIZABETH USSHER, bapt. Sept. 19th, 1620, d. 1693; m. Sir Timothy Tyrrell, Knt. (son of Sir Timothy Tyrrell, of Oakley, Bucks) about 1641, and had issue :
    - 1. James Tyrrell of Shotover, Oxon, born May 6th, 1642, m. Mary Hutchinson, and had issue :
      - 1. James Tyrrell of Shotover, Lt. Genl., d.s.p.
      - 2. Mary Tyrrell, m. John Aldworth.
    - 11. Charles Tyrrell, died in Ireland, unmd.
    - 111. John Tyrrell, Admiral in the East Indies, d. 1692.
    - IV. Usher Tyrrell, settled in Jamaica, m. a dr. of Admiral Van Tromp.
    - v. Elizth. Tyrrell, m. Philip Hoby of Bisham.

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- vi. Mary Tyrrell, m. Henry Cavendish of Doverbridge, Derbyshire, from whom are descended Lord Waterpark, Lord Kilmaine, Lady Bolsover, the Marquis of Headfort, and others.
- VII. Penelope Tyrrell, m. Sir James Russell, Knt., of the Isle of Nevis, and died 3rd Decr., 1707; from her are descended the Baroness Le Despencer, and Rev. Sir F. Stapleton, Bt.
- VIII. Eleanor Tyrrell, m. Chas. Blount, 4th son of Sir Henry Blount, Knt., of Titenhanger, Herts., and had issue: 1. Hester Blount, m. Sir H. Tyrrell. 2. Eleanor Blount, d.y.
  3. Charlotte Blount, m. . . . Smith.
  - IX. Bridget Tyrrell, m. Samuel Byrch of Herefordshire, grandson of Samuel Byrch of Manchester, of the family of Byrch, of Byrch in Lancs.

Primate James Ussher's wife was Phœbe Challoner,\* only surviving child and heiress of the Rev. Luke or Lucas Challoner, D.D. By her he had issue one daughter, Elizabeth Ussher, of whom we treat below.

The Rev. Luke Challoner was a remarkable man, of good family, being a relative of the famous Sir Thos. Challoner of Guisborough, in Yorkshire. According to Woods' MS. F. 7, p. 12, in the Bodl. Lib. and a Pedigree in Randle Holm's MSS., etc. (copies of which J. Challenor Smith, Esq., of the Principal Probate Registry, Somerset House, kindly sent me), the funeral entries in the Ulster office, and Glover's Vis. Yorks. —,

Roger Chaloner, citizen and mercer, of London, bur<sup>d</sup> St. Dunstan in the East, 1521, m. Margaret, dr. & h. of Richd. Middleton of London, 3rd son to Richd. Middleton, and by her had issue :

I. Sir Thomas Chaloner of Steeple Claydon, Bucks, and Clerk of the P. Council, who bought the site of Guisborough Priory in 1550; in July, 1565, he was a suitor for a grant of mines in Ireland; and died 14th October, 1565. He m. Etheldreda, dr. of Edwd. Frodsham, of Elton, Co. Chester, and had issue:

The word Chaloner appears first in old wills in London, as descriptive of a trade, viz.: a vendor of cloth made at Chalons in France, and then by degrees, le Chaloner, Chaloner.

- Sir Thomas Chaloner, Knt., only son, a famous traveller and writer, who m. (1) Elizth. Fleetwood, by whom he had issue (cf. Vis. Yorkshire); m. (2) Judith, dr. to Wm. Blunt of London, Esq.
- II. John Chaloner or Challoner, gent., Alderman, Mayor of Dublin, (4 and 5 Philip and Mary, Membr. 4. Aug. 8th. "Commission of the Peace to John Challoner, Mayor of Dublin, for City and Co. of Dublin"), and Principal Secretary to the Queen in Ireland, who in 1551 got a grant of Lambay,\* and in 1559, as "John Challoner of Lambaye," was M.P. for Dungarvan, m. 1st, . . . by whom he had issue : 1. Thos. Challoner, mercht., of Dublin, who was living in 1585, and m. Rose, dr. of Richard Usher of Cromlin, by his 2nd wife Jane Ball, and by her had issue two sons, John and Luke Challoner. 11. Margaret Challoner, m. Robert Bysse of Dublin, who was bur'd. in St. Audoen's, 9th Dec., 1599, and had issue: Christopher, John, Robert, William, Anne, Margaret, Jane and Sarah Bysse. III. Robert Challoner, mercht., of Dublin (probably a son) bur'd. in St. Audoen's, 15th Feb., 159<sup>§</sup>, m. . . . Stephens, by whom he had issue; she d. 13th Feb., 1598 (cf Funl. Entr.)

Ald<sup>n.</sup> John Challoner m. 2ndly, Elizabeth Smythe, died 1585. The Prerog. will of Elizth. Challoner, late wife of John Challoner, her Maj<sup>s.</sup> Principall Secretarie in Ireland and decd., was pr. 21st Nov., 1585, her body to be bur'd. in Christ Church in the grave of her late husband, Mr. Launcelot Alford to be

In the reign of Queen Elizth. a grant of Lambay Island was made to Sir Wm. Ussher in fee, subject to an annual payment of £6 to the See of Dublin. The Usshers and their heirs had it till about 50 years since, when Ld. Talbot bought it; his son, the present Lord, sold it to Count Constantine, who also owns Portrane. Boate in his Nat. Hist. of Ireland, mentions Lambay as belonging to Sir William Ussher of Dublin, "who hath there a fine little castle of freestone, and close by it a village." The island is two miles long, one mile and a half broad, nearly oval, contains 1,371 acres, and is in the parish of East Lusk.

<sup>• 835.</sup> Membrane 15. Pat. Rol. Elizth. 109. "License to George Archbp. of Dublin, with the consent of the Chapter of the Church of the Holy Trinity, to alienate and grant to John Challoner, gent., his heirs and assigns in fee farm, the Island of Lambay and all its appurtenances with the Castle and lands, courts leet and view of franc pledge, at a rent of £6 13s. 4d. Irish; provided he erect a harbour within six years, and a village for shelter and refuge of the fishermen. Sept. 21, 5° Ed. VL"

her Exor. "I bequeath to Ellyne, my brother Rayffe's Smythe's dr., etc., and my caddowe, she paying to Thos. Challoner 40s."

Probably of this family was James Challoner of Drogheda, gent., will pr. 1680, burd. in St. Peter's, Drogheda, sister Jane Challoner, sister Anne, wife of Nich. Phelps, Eliz., wife of Brerton, Mary, wife of Wm. Stanley, nephew James Challoner of Dublin, brewer, who in 1701 bought from the Trustees of the forfeited estates 2 houses he dwelt in, in Patrick Street, also Thos. Challoner, nieces, Katherine, Elizth., and Mary.\* A Mr. Wm. Chaloner also was bur'd. Aug. 6th, 1673, in St. Audoen's. In St. Cath., Dublin, were bap. Rupert, son of Rupert Challinor 19th Sep., 1697, and Rich., son of Nich. Challinor, 18th Aug., 1698.

III. Francis Chaloner, who had issue: 1. Rev. Luke Challoner, D.D., born 1550, m. 1st, Rose, dr. of Walter Ball, Ald<sup>n</sup> and Mayor of Dublin, who d. of the plague, 25th Oct., 1604, and is bur'd. in Trinity College, Dublin, with her husband and most of her issue; she had issue with others, two drs.
1. Ruehanna Challoner, d.y. 2. Phœbe Challoner, m. Primate James Ussher. Luke Challoner m. 2ndly, Elizabeth, dr. of Christopher Perceval, who survived him, and d.s.p. 11. Nicholas Challoner, mercht., of Dublin, decd. s.p. 3rd Dec., 1620.

LUKE CHALLONER, D.D., took a leading part in the founding of Trinity College, Dublin, having induced the Corporation of Dublin to give for the purpose the dissolved monastery of All Hallows, and assisted Henry Ussher in obtaining the Charter. He was also treasurer and clerk of the works

<sup>\*</sup> The Chaloner family of Kingsfort, Co. Meath, may be of the same stock, and their arms are the same, viz.: Sa. a chev, betw. three cherubim's heads or.

Of this family, the Rev. John Chaloner, a native of Salop, (Sch. T.C.D., M.A. 1682) was chaplain on Board the "Royal Sovereign," in the reign of William III. He married a Miss Clutterbuck, and dying 1733, left a son Richard of Kingsfort, who by a dr. of . . . Graham of Platten Hall, Diogheda, left issue a son Richard, a dr. Charity. The son d.s.p. m., and the estate of Kingsfort passed to the second son of his eldest dr. Mrs. Pratt, who took the name of Chaloner and died a few years since; his widow still survives. The above named Charity m. Rev. John Betty, whose dr. Charity m. Capt. John Smith, grandfather of John Chaloner Smith, M.R.I.A., author of "British Mezzotinto Portraits Described;" Rev. Canon Richard Travers Smith, D.D., Vicar of St. Bartholomew's, Dublin, and Travers Blackley Smith.

during the building, and in the Charter was nominated one of the first three Fellows. His name appears in the Calendar as a donor of £10 to the College, and from letters of James Ussher to him, he would seem to have taken a very active part in the management of T.C.D.

He was Preb<sup>y.</sup> of Malahidert, in St. Patrick's Chapter, Dublin, May 27th, 1597, and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Dublin, from 1612 to his death on April 27th, 1613.

Among the T.C.D. MSS. are, Notes of Sermons by Luke Chaloner; The Common-place Book of Luke Chaloner agst. Rome, etc., 12mo; Luke Chaloner's acct. of the lands of Mulhuddert, 1st Aug., 1595, £80 6s. 2d.; Catechetical Books; Collectanea de rebus Theol., 2 vols.

In Vol. II. p. 39 of the Funl. Eatries, Ulster office, "Luke Challoner, D. of Divinitie, dec. 27 of Aprill, 1613, he was the first mover and the earnest Solicitour for the buildinge and foundinge of Trinitie Colledge by Dublin, where he lieth buried with this Epitaph :

"Conditur hoc tumulo Challoneri triste cadaver,

Cuius ope et precibus conditur is ta domus."

Luke Challoner intended, had he lived, to have given James Ussher his only dr., Phæbe in marriage, with a considerable estate in land and money ; but dying before he could see this arranged, he charged her upon his death bed, that if Dr. Ussher was willing to marry her, she should think of no other person for her husband. Soon after she was married, and was wife for 40 years to Primate Ussher ; dying a year and a half before him. Phæbe Challoner was. married about 1614. A letter from James Ussher to Luke, dated London, April 9th, 1613, seems to show that Ussher was not in Dublin when Luke died, but he was in Trinity College in March, 1616.

The will of Luke Challoner, proved in the Dublin Dio. Court, is interesting.

"In y<sup>e</sup> name of God, Amen. I Lucas Challoner, beinge in my right mind, leve this as my last will and Testament, this 18 of March, 1612, coforminge till my leading, first I leve my soule to the Lorde gratious mercy in the mediation of his dear sonn in whom for my salvation I faythfully trust & my body to be buried as my executors shall think good, except I doe before my death dispose of the place and manner, I (conforminge till the former deed of gift to Phœbe doe leve my daughter Phebe Challoner the tenn houses I have

on the Merchant Key, whearin Mr. ffrith and An Pipeold nowe dwelleth, beinge worth 177. 10s. st. p. ann. Next I leve hir the lease of the house in the Castell Street which will pay four Mr. Pensitt 131b. 6d. st. p. ann., but doth yet pay but 20s. st., then I leve hir ye right and tenure in the house with all the furniture, implements, stuffe and utensills in the Castell Streete wherein I nowe dwelle (as in my dead of gift to my said daughter Phebe upsaid) which house Sir John Turrell\* and myself lately builded. As also the new gallery added this last year thereto, of which Sir John Turrell or his assignes shall have paydd for the materiall which amounted to above 22%. Next I leve hir the newe house with the lease thereof whearin John Scele now dwelleth, also I leave hir the farme in Ballegalle held by Mr. Ball, and Mr. Sedgrave's holdinge and Mr. Cardiffe holdinge and Robert Clune his holdinge. Next I leave hir all my bookes except these following which I shall dispose by legacy. Also I leve hir 32lb. st. dew for four quarters on Mr. Creme and other corne dew to me which I leve to hir and the heires of her body lafully begotten and if she dye before, I leve them to Mr. Matthew Tirrell, if he dye without heires male lafully begotten, to Margret Turrell and her eires males and for want of such to Richard and Edward Terrell. Moreover I leve my wife Elizabeth Challoner, daughter to Mr. Persival, out of all the fermes and whatsoever else I have confirmed by dead of gift to my daughter Phebe, fiftye pounds Irish p. ann. the accp<sup>tt</sup> of which is sett downe in the mortmege between his father and me duringe his naturall life, to be paydd at Michaelmas and Ester by even portions duringe hir naturall life. More I leve my sayd wife the use of the chamber over my parlour beinge furnished fitly with beddinge and necessaries during her continuance widowe. Moreover I leve hir 20 English books to be chosen by the consent of hir and Phebe my daughter. More I charge Phebe to leve Margret Turrell at hir mariage 20%. st. and to Richard and Edward Turrell 51. a yeare when they are 24 year ould. More I leve Mr.

<sup>•</sup> Augt. 31, 1595, Wm. Tirrell, mrcht. of Dub. bur'd.—Sir John Tyrrell, Knt., Alderman, Mayor of Dub., 1602, m. Mary Sedgrave, dr. of Walter Sedgrave, Ald. and Mayor of Dub., and had issue: Walter, Matthew, Richd., Edwd., Cicely (wife of Nich. Stephens, Sheriff of Dub.), Margaret and others. Lady Tyrrell d. Decr., 1604. Sir John Tyrrell bur'd. Jan<sup>5</sup>, 5th, 1612. Matthew Tyrrell, Esq., bur'd. April 19th, 1634, son and heir of Sir J. Tyrrell, m. Sarah, dr. of Bp. Jonas Wheeler of Ossory, and had 3 daughters. Mrs. Luke Challoner's sister, Katherine Ball, m. Patrick Sedgrave, and their aunt, Elinor Ball, m. Walter Sedgrave.

James Vsher Bimmius 5 tomes on the counsells, to Mr. Richarson Augustine's works, to my myshall Hill ten English books of Phebe hir choosinge, and to Mr. Hill my Turkey grogram gowne, to John Seele I leve 51. st. when the rents come in, a year after I be dead, and to Mr. Egeton, Mr. Bird, Mr. Martin, Mr. Pedock, Mr. Donalln, Mr. Marven a latine book in 4° or 8° of Mr. Richarson's and Mr. Vsher's chosinge and Mathew Turrell's alowing. to Sr Will. Usher ten Latin books, these he will chose; to Mr. Ball and Edward Ball a gould ringe of 25<sup>s</sup> a peace, and George Ball I leve a ringe or seale of 40<sup>s</sup>. I also leve my daughter Phebe my sole executrix and administratrix.

Witness John Richardson I publish this to bee my last Will this 10th Aprill, 1613.

ffraunces Dudwell.

Lucas Challoner.

Probat 5 May, 1613, to Phebe Challoner. Witness<sup>d</sup> Xpher Bysse, John Seele."

It is greatly to be regretted that the effigy of Luke Challoner on his tomb at the rear of the Dining Hall of Trin. Coll., Dublin, was allowed to be irretrievably injured by the dropping of water from the eave of a roof before being placed in its present position.

In the 1st Series of the Lismore Papers, Vol. V., p. 191, Sept. 17th, 1641 : "Uppon sight of Mrs. Vscher her lettres to my cozen ffenton Parsons to requier 2 deeds towching 3000 sheep deposited in my hands I gave him the 3 deeds." Mrs. Ussher died in England in 1654.

According to the parish Regr. of St. Dunstan's in the East, London. published by the Camden Society :

Sep. 19 Doctor Ussher & Phebe was baptized at said Church.

There is a reference to her death in "Strange and Remarkable Prophecies of the Holy Learned and excellent Jas. Usher," Dublin, printed by M. Gunne, 1714-" The Lady Tyrrell, daur. to Primate Ussher, died at her seat in Oxfordshire, April 29, 1714, aged 106." But this must be wrong, first as to her age, as she could not, if she had died then, have been more than 93 years old, and secondly as to the date, as the inscription on her tombstone in Oakley Church shows that she had died many years before.

Boyle, Earl of Cork, in his Diary, Vol. IV., 1st Series, writes, 15th July, 1636-" My son dongarvan and his ladie with Mrs. Elizth. Vssher, onelie

childe of the good Lord prymate, embarqued at the Ringsend, neer Dublin, for England, God bless and prosper them with a happie passadge," and in the margin, "They returnd to Dublin that night, the wynde being East." Boyle continues, "16 July, 1636, I received back from the Lord Primate 4 MS. books of religion, bound up in quarto and received back my will and Test., which I left sealed up in truste to be kept by his Lo<sup>p.</sup> and published after my decease, as I porpose to make a new will."

Elizabeth Ussher must have married Sir Timothy Tyrrel, junr., of Shotover and Oakley, during the Primate's stay at Oxford, in 1641.

Sir Timothy Tyrrel or Tyrrell was eldest son of Sir Timothy Tyrrel of Oakley in Bucks (of the stock of the Tyrrells of Shornton, and master of the Buckhounds to King Chas. I. and Prince Henry), by his wife Eleanor, dr. of Sir Wm. Kingsmill, Knt., of Sidmanton, Hunts. Sir Timothy Tyrrel, junr., was of the Privy Chamber to King Chas. I., and rated by the Sequestrators at £750 composition for his estate. He held the rank of Colonel in the Royal Army, was Govr. of Cardiff and General of Ordnance under Lord Gerard.

In the Calendar of State Papers (Domestic) 1638, we find—" The Petition of Timothy Tyrell, son of Sir Timothy Tyrell, your Maj's late servant. Your Majesty conveyed to petitioner, my father on his death bed, your intentions towards his children by letter of Lord Holland, which encouraged petitioner's mother to strain her poor estate to give petitioner a chargeable education abroad, the better to qualify him for your service—Prays to be taken into your or the prince's service and that the Earl of Holland may be your remembrancer when there is opportunity to admit him."

"Jan. 2, 1639. Whitehall, Henry, Earl of Holland, to Timothy Tyrell, Lieut. of the King's Forest of Shotover and Stowood, Co. Oxon. A warrant to search houses within 3 miles of the forest for greyhounds, nets, and to destroy deer."

After the Restoration, on February 11th, 1662, Lord Treasurer Southampton writes to the King that he has leased for 31 years 562 acres of Shotover, 421 of Stowood forests to Sir Timothy Tyrell, who will pay the Bishop of Oxford £100 per ann., the rentals being £56 and £50 per ann.

On October 3rd, it was ordered "That as the lands of Shotover were unfit for a park thro' waste of rebellion, the lessee to enclose or build on or till them."

1665, "Sir Timothy Tyrrell has spent £2000 on buildings."

In the Collection of the King's Letters in the Carte Papers, MS. xli., 119, Bodl. Lib.—"Sir Timothy Tyrrel and Dame Elizabeth his wife, sole dr. of

James Lord Archbp. Usher, to have the residue of a term of years of some of the said Jas. Ussher's own estate near Finglas, made to Sir Ed. Bagshaw, which afterwards came to one Hewlett, who forfeited same for treason." Dec. 12th, 1660, 122.

In a memorandum made by Luke Challoner in one of his MS. books in T.C.D. Library he enumerates the townlands which he held at Finglas from the Archbp. of Dublin, 400 Irish acres in all. These were held on long but terminable leases at a very low rent, and were sublet by him on short leases; the rents of the different denominations were, as he calculated, likely to be largely increased on the termination of the sub-leases. The portion of these which now are the property (in fee simple) of Rev. John W. Stubbs, D.D., Senr. Fellow T.C.D., are "The Court," "Solomon's Fields," "The Lord's Leisure," and 20 acres attached. The other portions, "The Lord's Demesne," "The Stockens," etc., include Ballygall. The lands held by Cardiffe adjoin' Dr. Stubbs' property. In the Ormonde Papers in the Appendix to the 0th Report of the Hist. MS. Commission is an account of a suit in the time of the Duke of Ormonde on the part of Sir Timothy Tyrrell and his lady agst. Matthew Harrison and Richard Phillips, who pretended an interest in 20 acres of land in Finglas and had taken hay from it.

In the Co. Dub. Survey and Distrib. Book, P'sh of Finglas, Sir Timothy Tyrrell is stated to have bought pt of Ballygobbon, 79A. 2R. 20P., forfeited 1641, by Xpr. Plunket.

Evelyn in his Diary, 24th October, 1664, says—" We dined at Sir Timothy Tyrill's, at Shotover. This gentleman married the daughter and heir of Dr. James Ussher, Archbishop of Armagh, that learned Prelate. There is here in the grove a fountain of the coldest water I ever felt, and very clear. His plantation of oaks and other timber is very commendable."

And again, "8th July, 1675. We lay this night at Henley-on-Thames. Next day, dining at Shotover, at Sir Timothy Tyrill's, a sweet place, we lay at Oxford."

The Rev. E. Elton, Rector of Shewington, Newport Pagnell, formerly Rector of Wheatley, near Shotover, writes:

"The subject of the Tyrrells of Shotover is one which has been of interest to me ever since I was living at Wheatley. The Shotover branch is, I

believe, now extinct; it was seated there from the time of James I. Shotover was a Royal forest, and in a State Paper Calendar it is stated that in 1634 the timber at that time was more valuable than that in the New Forest. Much of this was cut down during the Civil Wars, and in consequence, in 1662, it was disafforested.

"The first Timothy Tyrrell (Sir) was master of the buckhounds, and the story says, that whilst holding the deer for King James to kill, the King was so awkward that he cut Tyrrell's arm, and on the latter going to court when recovered, the King gave him the Rangership of the forest as a compensation. This was held by the family until the disafforesting took place, when a portion was set apart for them in fee.

"The estate passed from the Tyrrells to the family of Schutz, circa 1742, and I believe there was a relationship between them. From the Schutzes it passed to the Drurys about 1840. On the death of Mr. Drury in 1850, it was sold to a Mr. Gammie (returned from Queensland), and again, in 1873, was bought by Col. Miller, who has modernized the house a good deal and put the place in beautiful order.

"When I first knew the house in 1851 it remained in the same condition as when possessed by the Tyrrells, except that there were two state rooms which had been furnished for George II., or some of his children. The other furniture was very venerable, and the saloon crowded with paintings; full length portraits of James I., and his Queen and Prince Rupert, Archbishop Ussher and many others. These were sold at a general sale in 1855. Mrs. Elton's aunt was for five years tenant of the house. This was built about 1727 by General Tyrrell who was Col. of the Blues; he succeeded his father James (the historian), whose library was sold. It contained some valuable books. I remember his History of England with marginal notes of his own.

"At the sale in 1855, Mr. Henly, M.P., bought some portraits for Sir John Tyrrell, of Borcham, in Essex, on the idea of some connection between the families. This is a property now possessed by Sir J. Tyrrell's married daughters."

The Rev. C. F. Wyatt, Broughton Rectory, Banbury, in answer to enquiries, writes that "Many of the Tyrrells were baptized at Forest Hill, near Shotover, but only one was buried there, viz., Frances Tyrrell, in 1663. The portrait of Archbishop Ussher was put up by auction when all the other effects at Shotover House were dispersed in 1855. An Oxford Fellow gave a commission for it; in a weak moment the agent bid 120 guineas instead of keeping to his limit of 3 or 4 guineas. Consequently the portrait remained unsold at Shotover several months; it was then removed to London and sold to a Northumberland gentleman whose name I do not recollect. It was a half length of the Archbishop seated, much more resembling a Lely than (as the Catalogue stated) a Vandyke. Amongst the portraits there were those of Sir

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Timothy Tyrrell and of Mrs. Usher, wife of the Archbp., but not, I think, of his daughter."

In a schedule of grants under the Act of Settlement with Bill of Explanation, names are mentioned of some which obstruct its perfecting, among whom are Sir Timothy Tyrrell.

There is also a petition of Dame Eliza Tyrrell, dr. of James Usher, late Archbishop of Armagh, stating that the Parlt. of Ireland had passed a Bill for an annuity of £500 to her and her heirs, and praying same to be taken into consideration by the Committee for Irish affairs.

The name of Sir Timothy Tyrrell also appears in Roll vi., 14, of the Certificates for Adventurers.

John Evelyn, 1689, 12th August, Layercourt, in writing to Saml. Pepys says: "But the Lord Primate Usher was inferior to none I have named among the clergy for rare MSS., a great part of which being brought out of Ireland and left with his son-in-law, Sir Timothy Tyrill, was disposed of to give bread to that incomparable prelate during the late fanatic war; such as remained yet at Dublin were preserved, and by a public purse restored and placed in the College library of that city."

Sir Timothy Tyrrell by his wife Elizabeth Ussher, had issue :

- I. James Tyrrell of Shotover, Qu. Coll., Oxon, M.A. 1663, Commissioner of Privy Seal, author of a General History of England to the time of Wm. III., in 5 vols., and other works; born 6th May, 1642, called to the Bar, d. 7 June, 1718, m. Mary, dr. and h. of Sir Michael Hutchinson, Knt., of Fladbury Worcestershire, and had issue:
  - James Tyrrell, born 1674, M.P. for Boroughbridge, 1741, Lieut.-Genl. in the army, Governor of Tilbury Fort and Gravesend, 1737, Governor of Berwick, Groom of Chamber to the Prince of Wales 1741; he died s.p. in 1742, aged 68, leaving Shotover to his relative, Augustus Schutz.
  - 11. A son, died young.
  - 111. Judith Tyrrell, died unmd.
  - Mary Tyrrell, m. John Aldworth of Ruscombe and d.s.p.; she was alive in 1745.

II. John Tyrrell, born 1646, Capt. of a Man-of-War and Admiral of the East Indies, died in 1692.

III. Charles Tyrrell, who died in Ireland, unmd., 1694.

Two letters of Mrs. Evelyn to Mr. Terryll in Ireland are printed in the iv<sup>th</sup> Vol. of Evelyn's Diary, the first dated Feb. 10th,  $166\frac{8}{3}$ , in which she says : "The most important good-fortune which has befallen me of late is the honour I have had to kiss my lady, your mother's hands, with two of your sisters, whose stay in town being short, as well as mine deprived me of the satisfaction I rejoiced much in." The 2nd letter in 1670, alludes to a report of Mr. Tyrrell's return into England, about Easter, and compliments him on his prudence, wondering "what can be the charms of a place which has not only invited but detained persons of so much wit in it."

IV. Usher Tyrrell, settled in Jamaica, m. a daughter of Admiral Van Tromp.

V. Margaret Tyrrell, d. unmd., 27th Feb., 1686, bur'd. at Oakley.

VI. A daughter . . . m. . . . Stapleton.

- VII. Elizabeth Tyrrell, m. Philip Hoby of Bisham, Berkshire, fourth son of Peregrine Hoby, and younger brother of Sir John Hoby, Bart., by whom she had issue a dr. Elizabeth.
- VIII. Mary Tyrrell, m. Henry Cavendish of Doverbridge, in Derbyshire, and had issue, Sir Henry Cavendish, who went to Ireland as Secr<sup>y</sup>. to the Duke of Devonshire, and m. Anne Pyne, by whom he had issue: I. Sir Henry Cavendish, m. Sarah Bradshaw, and had issue, Richard Cavendish, created Baron Waterpark, whose grandson Henry Anson Cavendish is now 3rd Baron Waterpark. II. Mary Cavendish, m. George Quin of Quinsborough, and had issue, Mary, m. T. Taylor, 1st Marquis of Headfort.

Rt. Hon. Sir Henry Cavendish had also issue, Anne, who m. the 2nd Baron Kilmaine, and had issue : 1. John, 3rd Baron Kilmaine, born 1794, and had issue Jervis-Lyon, now Lord Kilmaine.

2. Hon. H. Browne, Dean of Lismore, and Rector of Burnchurch, Co. Kilkenny, whose 2nd dr. Augusta Mary Elizth. Browne m. Lieut.-Geu.

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Arthur Cavendish-Bentinck, father by his first wife of the 7th Duke of Portland, and was created Baroness Bolsover.

Deborah, dr. of Sir Henry Cavendish, m. Sir Rd. Musgrave, 1st Bart. of Tourin, and d.s.p.

- IX. Penelope Tyrrell, m. Sir James Russell, Knted., 10th May, 1672, Govr. of the Isle of Nevis; and died 3rd Dec., 1707, leaving issue, 3 drs.: I. Elizabeth. II. Penelope, m. Sir James Stapleton, Bt. of the Leeward Islands, and was direct ancestress of Sir Thos. Stapleton, Lord Le Despencer, who was grandfather to Mary, Baroness Le Despencer, and also father to Rev. Sir Francis Jarvis Stapleton, Bt. III. Frances, m. . . . Matthews of the Isle of Nevis.
  - X. Eleanor Tyrrell, m. Charles, fourth son of Sir Henry Blount, Knt., of Titenhanger, the author of *Anima Mundi*, etc., and had issue: I. Hester Blount, m. Sir Henry Tyrrell. II. Eleanor Blount, d.y. III. Charlotte Blount, m. . . . Smith.
- XI. Bridget Tyrrell, m. Samuel Byrch of Whitborne, Herefordshire, of a Lancashire family.

XII. A daughter.

The following monuments, and others of the Tyrrell family are in Oakley Church, Bucks :--

On a mural monument in the south aisle :

"Here lieth the body of Sir Timothy Tyrrell, late of Shotover and once of Oakley, Knt., eldest son of Sir Timothy Tyrrell, Master of the Buckhounds to King Charles 1st. He married Elizabeth, only daughter of Dr. James Usher, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland, by whom he had four sons and eight daughters. He faithfully and valiantly asserted the cause of his master King Charles 1st, and was a Capt. of Horse and then a Col. of Foot, and Govr. of the Castle of Caerdiff in South Wales, and General of y<sup>e</sup> Ordnance in that Province. He was an indulgent husband, a kind father and a good master ; just in his dealings and highly charitable to the poor. He deceased on the XXIII. day of October, A.D. MDCCI., having lived almost LXXXIV.

years; who being worn out with age and divers long infirmities, now rests in hope of a blessed resurrection."

On a large black marble slab in the floor, with the arms of Tyrrell impaling on a chevron crinone between three scrolls:

"Here lyeth the body of Elizabeth, late wife of Sir Timothy Tyrrell of Shotover, in the County of Oxon, Knt. She was only daughter and heir of that pious and learned Archbishop, Dr. James Usher, late Primate of all Ireland, and was herself a person of exemplary worth and piety; an excellent wife and most indulgent mother, and highly charitable to the poor. After being married about fourty years she died A.D. 1693, to the great grief of her husband."

On a slab in the floor-

"Here lieth Capt. John Tyrrel, son of Sir Timothy Tyrrel and Dame Elizabeth his wife, who was made by King Charles 2nd Admiral in the East Indies, and in the sea fight 1690 did withstand y<sup>e</sup> violence of y<sup>e</sup> whole French navy, always showing himself a true lover of his country, a valiant and skilful commander.

> He was born Anno 1646 & died Dec. 6, 1692."

On a mural monument-

"Here lieth y<sup>e</sup> body of James Tyrrell, Esq., son of Sir Timothy Tyrrell of Shotover and Oakley, Knt., by Elizabeth, sole daughter of Archbishop Usher, born in 1643. He died in 1718, aged 75 and upwards. [Here follows a long eulogium of his virtues and learning.] Of his issue only two survived him, James Tyrrell, Lieut.-General of his Majesty's Forces, and Mary, relict of John Aldworth of Ruscomb."

There are also slabs, to Mary, his wife, who d. 1687, aged 42, and to Mrs. Margery Tyrrell, 2nd dr. of Sir Timothy Tyrrell, d. 27th February, 1686. And there is a tablet with a Latin inscription to Genl. James Tyrrell who served in Flanders to the Peace of Utrecht and d. 30 Augt. 1742, æt. 68. It was erected by his kinsman, Augustus Schutz, who was probably related through the Hutchinsons.

## CHAPTER XI.

## CHRISTOPHER FITZARLAND USSHER AND HIS FAMILY

Pedigree of the Family of Christopher Ussher, Mayor of Dublin.

CHRISTOPHER USSHER, 2nd surviving son of Arlanton and Anne Ussher m. 1st Maud Darcy, who d.s.p. January, 1524.

He m. 2ndly, Alison, dr. of Thos. FitzWilliams, of Merrion, and died Jan. 31st, 1626, leaving issue:

- I. JOHN USSHER, Alderman of Dub., born 1524, m. ab<sup>t.</sup> 1560, Alison, dr. of Sir. Wm. Newman, Knt., Mayor of Dub., and had issue :
  - 1. Christopher Ussher, d. inf.
  - 11. Sir Wm. Ussher, Knt., born 1653, d. 1659.

m. 1st, Isabel, dr. of Archbp. Adam Loftus, and had issue.

m. 2ndly, Margaret Cludde.

Sir Wm. by his first wife had:

- 1. Arthur Ussher, drowned 1629, m. Judith Newcomen, who d. 30th July, 1652, and had issue:
  - Sir William Ussher, Junr., m. 1st Elizabeth Parsons, m. 2ndly, Ursula St. Barbe, and had issue by both of whom see presently.
  - (2) Margaret Ussher, d. 1683, m. Sir Paul Davis, Knt.
  - (3) James Ussher, Capt. in the Army, d.s.p.
  - (4) John Ussher, Capt. in the Army, d.s.p.
  - (5) Adam Ussher, Archdeacon of Clonfert, d. 1715.
  - (6) Beverly Ussher, Lt.-Col. in the Duke of Ormonde's Guard, d. 1683.
  - (7) Katherine Ussher, m. Sir Philip Percival, Knt.
  - (8) Isabella Ussher, m. Sir Percy Smyth, Knt.
  - (9) Christopher Ussher, d.y.
  - (10) Philip Ussher, d.y.
  - (11) Arthur Ussher, Ensign in the Army, d.s.p.
  - (12) Alice Ussher, m. Sir Theophilus Jones.

- 2. Adam Ussher, Ulster King of Arms.
- 3. Mary Ussher, m. William Crofton, of Temple House, Co. Sligo, and had a dr. Mary Crofton, m. George Percival.
- 4. Jane Ussher, m. Daniel Molyneux.
- 5. Margaret Ussher, m. Sir Beverly Newcomen, Bt.
- 6. Alice Ussher, m. Sir Thos. Phillips, Knt.
- 7. Ellinor Ussher, m. Sir Chas. Forster, Knt.
- 8. Anne Ussher, m. Sir Robert Meredith, Bt.

Arland Ussher and Anne Berford had a second son to survive, Christopher Ussher, ancestor of the Usshers of Ussher's Quay, and of Mt. Ussher, Co. Wicklow, and Eastwell, Co. Galway, also of the Usshers of Clontarf, and of the Co. Waterford.

Christopher Ussher born about 1465, mrcht., Bailiff of Dublin in 1511, Mayor of Dublin, 1516 and 1524, died 30th Jan., 152§, 16th year of Henry VIII., was also Customer and Collector of the Port of Dublin, Jan<sup>y</sup>. 13, 1514 (Lodge MS.) In the Obit Book of Christ Church Cathl. we find his name as "Christopher Wscher, quondam Mayor, ob. 1525."

In the Earl of Kildare's Rental, Sept., 1514, "i. Hackney given to Cristofor Usher."

In the Chartularies of St. Mary's Abbey, edited by J. Gilbert, are mentioned, "the p'sh of St. Nicholas, Dub., in Vico Pellipariorum, and that N. Hancocke lately was wont to pay for the free return of the tenement which Xphorus Ussher held ii<sup>s.</sup> which now is vacant by reason of the attainder of John Burnell." (1536.)

Also :

"Christr. Ussher, Maior 1516-17" (excerpts from chartuls) 1516-17. "Proceedings between the City of Dublin and St. Mary's Abbey in relating to fishing, &c., 10 Jan., 8th Hen. VIII., between Chr. Usher, Mayor of Dublin, &c."

1539. "Rochelle St., Dublin, the widow of Wm. Newman."

An Inquisition post mortem, No. 19, 18th An<sup>o</sup> Henry VIII., taken at Dublin before the Baron of the Exchequer, on the next day of March after the Feast of St. Barnabas the Apostle, 18th H. VIII., recites that "they whose names are subscribed, say on their oath that Cristofer Ussher of Dublin.

mrcht., was seized in fee of 3 messuages and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  carucate of land in Donaghbrook in the Co. Dublin (one watermill in same place excepted) and held them from the King in chief by military service : that the said Cristofer died on the last day but one of January, in the 16th year of Henry VIII., and that John Ussher is son and heir of the sd Cristofer, and of the age of 2 years at the time of his sd. father's death, and not married; that Alison ffitzSymon, late wife of the sd. Cristofer, is married to James ffitzSymon of Dublin, the license of the King not being then obtained; that from the causes above mentioned, on the previous day, the premises were held in the King's hand."

Inq. 18, H. VIII., the next day of March after the Feast of St. Kath., at Dublin, recites "that Simon Byrfort of Kylrowe, and Arland Ussher were seized in fee on the day that Cristofer Ussher died, of 3 mes' and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  carucat of land in Donabroke, one watermill there being excepted, to the use of the sd. Cristofer and his male heirs, and by failure of heirs, to Richard ffitzWillm and his heirs, so that the said Lands may remain, and that the said premises are held of the King in chief by royal service; that the said Cristofer Ussher died on the last day but one of  $Jan^{y}$  in the 16th year of the reign of Henry VIII.; that Johes Ussher is his son and heir and of the age of 2 years at the time of the death of the said Cristofer; that Alisona ffitzWillm, late wife of the said Cristofer, is married to James ffitzSymon, the King's leave not being obtained; that the said Arland received possession of the aforesaid premises in Donabroke from the time of the said Cristofer's death to the day of the taking of this Inquisition, and from the aforesaid causes the aforesaid premises in Donabroke are in the King's hand."

"Inquis. 21, 18th Henry VIII., Wednesday after the Feast of St. Thomas, at Dublin—that Cristofer Ussher was seized as of fee, of one castle and two burgages in the town of Crenoke, which are held of Nicholas Scorloke, son and heir of Thomas Scorloke."\*

<sup>•</sup> Inq.: 19. Inq.: capt. apud Dublin coram Baroñ de Sceiö die marti px post festü Scī Barnabi a° Ri H. VIII., 13° p. subscript (etcc.) qui dicunt sup. sacrúm suû qd Cristoforus Ussher de Dublin m'cator s'situs fuit ut de ffeod de 3 messuag & 1½ carucat terrae in Donaghbrooke in Cōm Dublin. (uno molendino aquatic ibim except) & illa tenuit de rege in capite p s'viciù militar'—qd dict' Cristoforus obiit die penultimo Januar a° ri H. VIII. in16 et quod Johēs Ussher est fil. et heres dei Cristofori & de etate duor' aunor' tempore mortis dei patris sui et no' maritat'—qd Alisona nūp ūx dei Cristofori

Christopher Ussher married 1st, Maud Darcy [? of Platten], who d.s.p. Jany., 1524; he married 2ndly, Alison, dr. of Thomas FitzWilliams<sup>†</sup> of Merrion, Bray and Bagotrath, and his wife Eleanor, dr. of John Dowdall, 2nd son of Sir John Dowdall of Newtown and co-heir to her mother Margaret, dr. of Sir Jenico D'Artois, a Gascon, and his wife Maud, dr. of Sir Christopher Plunket, of Rathregan, Lord of Killeen, jure uxoris, who d. 1445, and who m., 1463, Joan, dr. and heir of Sir Lucas Cusac, 4th Lord of Killeen, descended from Geoffrey de Cusac, Lord of Killeen, who held under Hugh de Lacy the lands of Killeen and Gerardstown.

Christopher Ussher by Alison FitzWilliam (who m. 2ndly, James FitzSimons, mercht. of Dublin, and 3rdly, James Sedgrave of Dublin, Alderman), had issue:

John Ussher, of the City of Dublin, mercht., Alderman, and Mayor of Dublin, 1561. He was born in 1524, and was aged 2 years at his father's

est maritat' Jacobo ffitzSymon de Dublin, licentia regia inde non obtent-(qd) ex causis p'dic supra dict' p'miss' capt' in mañ Reg.

Inq. 18, H. VIII., d. Mart. px post festu St. Kath. apud Dub.

"Qd Simon Byrfort de Kylrowe et Arlandus Ussher seisit' fuer' ut de feod die quod Cristoforus Ussher objit de 3 mēs & 1½ carucat terrae in Donabroke (uno molendino aquatico ibīm excepto) ad usū dci Crist. et hered. mascul & p. defect hered, Ricô ffitz-Willm & hered. suis q'd dict terrae (etc.) remaneant—et qd dict p'miss' tenent' de Rege in capite p svic' regat.

Qấ dịct C. U. obiit penultimo die Jan. anno regni H. VIII., 16, qd Johes U est ejus f & h et de etate 2 an. temp. mort Diet. C. non maritat. qd Alisona ffitzWillm núp úx dict C. est maritat Jacobo ffitzSymon licentia Regis non obtent'—quod dictus Arlandus p'cepit pfic'pdic prmiss in Donabroke a tempe mortis dict C. usq' ad diem cap t't'one huj'. Inquis—et ex caus' pdic, p'dict p'rmiss in Donabroke sunt in manu Regis."

Inquis. 21, 18th Henry VIII. merc. post S. St. Thom apud Dub. "Qd Cristoforus Ussher seit fuit ut fe'do de uno castro, de duobus burgāg—in vill de Crenoke que tenent' de Nich<sup>o</sup> Scorloke fil et hered. Thome Scorloke."

<sup>†</sup> Acc. Lodge, the FitzWilliams family first came over with John into Ireland. Wm. FitzWilliams by Elizabeth, dr. of Robt. Holywood of Tartaine, had Richd., who m. Genet Holywood, and had issue, Thos. FitzWilliams of Merrion, m. Eleanor Dowdall, and had issue, Alison, 2nd wife of Chrpr. Ussher, and Richd., father of Sir Thos. FitzWilliams, Constable of Wicklow, who m. Genet Finglas, and had issue, Sir Richd. FitzWilliam, Constable of Wicklow, who had issue: 1. Sir Thos. Visct. Merrion and FitzWilliam. 2. Wm. of Dundrum, m. Mary, widow of Primate Henry Ussher, and d. 16th July, 1616, s.p. 3. Cath. m. Henry Chevers of Monkstown, 2nd son of J. Chevers of Macetown, Co. Meath.

Aaron Crossley says—"The arms are cut in stone on the 2nd story of Lord FitzWilliam's old stone house called Meryan, it fronts the sea, being about 2 miles distant from the city of Dublin."

death, had livery on the 1st of March, 1545, 37th year of Henry VIII., at a Fine of 20 marks (Inq. P.M. and Rot. Pip. 38 Hen. VIII.), died ab<sup>t.</sup> 1590, married Alson or Ales, dr. of Sir William Newman, Ald. and Mayor of Dublin, who died 26th Jan., 1601, and was bur'd 31st Jan. in Christ Church Cathedral.

"1557, 10th Augt. The Lord Deputy made an expedition agst James McConnell, a Scot. For further aid he (according to custom) took the Mayor of Dublin, John Spenfield, attended with a troop of horse and company of foot of the city, 220 men, well armed under conduct of John Ussher, Captain, etc., and 80 archers. The Scots affrighted, declined coming to an engagement, and sheltered themselves in bogs and woods. However some of the principals submitted." See Harris' Dublin, Chap. XI., p. 310.

John Ussher was Collector of Customs of the Port of Dublin, 1564, and to his munificence and religious zeal we owe the publication of the first book ever printed in the Irish language, which was issued in 1571, with a title of which the following is a literal translation :—" Irish Alphabet and Catechism. Precept or instruction of a Christian, together with certain articles of the Christian rule, which are proper for everyone to adopt who would be submissive to the ordinance of God and of the Queen in this kingdom: translated from Latin and English into Irish by John O'Kearney. 'Awake ; why sleepest Thou, O Lord? Arise, cast us not off for ever.' Ps. 44, ver. 23. Printed in Irish in the town of the Ford of the Hurdles (Dublin) at the cost of Master John Ussher, Alderman, at the head of the Bridge, the 20th day of June, 1571—with the privilege of the great Queen, 1571."

This small volume, of which but a single copy is now known to exist, consists of a translation of the Church Catechism, with an explanation of the Irish Alphabet and rules of pronunciation, compiled by John Kearney, Treasurer of St. Patr. Cath., who died abt. 1600 (cf. Gilbert Hist. Dub.) The fount of types was provided by Queen Elizabeth.

There is a warrant to John Usher of Dublin, for profit on goods exported from England to Ireland. *Salisbury Papers*, Append. VIIth, Report 194 b., Hist. MSS. Com.

In the *Calendar of State Papers* (Ireland), 1509-73, are some interesting notices of John Ussher.

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1564. Sir T. Wrothe to Cecil, July 30: "Here is one John Ussher a zealous man in Christ's religion, an honest man of life, and well reported of them that have to do with him. He desire th to have the Costome of Dublinge which is be letted out Michaelmas next in ferme or otherwise as shall be thought good, in such sorte as it wilbe let to anye other: Suer as it semith, he will serve of conscience, and that ruled by God's worde. This citie had nede of such one, for here is yet catche that catche maye."

July 31. Adam Loftus to same—" In favour of the suit of John Ussher of Dublin for the Custom."

Feb. 8th, 1568. Ld. Justice FitzWilliams to Cecil :-

"Remainder of the money received from John Ussher."

May 11th, 1568. Lord Tr. Winchester to Cecil, "for an allowance to be made to John Ussher of Dublin for carrying 2,000*l*. into Ireland."

1568. Cecil to Sydney, refers the bearer Ussher and his suits to Sydney's consideration.

June 18th, 1572. Ld. Deputy FitzWilliams to Burghley-Commends the bearer John Ussher, Alderman.

July 5th, 1572. The Archbp. of Dublin to Burghley—Commends the bearer Mr. John Ussher, Alderman, of Dub., and "his cause, by which he will advantage Her Maj. 10,000/. per ann."

July 7th, 1572. Ld. Dep<sup>5.</sup> FitzWilliams to Burghley.—" The bearer, Alderm. Ussher, has opened a device that seems very feasible for the coinage of base money in pence, etc."

July 15, 1571. John Ussher to Burghley, with a rejoinder made to reply of the Mayor and Staplers of Dub., relative to his book for reformation of the Staple. Ussher's portion of profits of sd. device, he will bestow wholly in erecting a College of University here.

The MS. of John Ussher's work, "De Reformatione Hibernix," was in the hands of Primate Jas. Ussher, and by him deposited in the Lib. of T.C.D.

John Ussher's letter to Lord Burghley is as follows :---

"Right honorable (my deuty most humbly p'mised) please the your Honour to be adv'tised that wheare your L. dyrected your l'rē. w<sup>th</sup> me, unto the Right honorable Sir Henry Sydney, L. Deputye of Ireland, to understand his L. opinion of a boke by me devised for the reformation of the staple there; •

whiche boke when his L. had p'used, imediately he sent for the Maior and Staplers of the cittie of Dublin, willing them yf they knewe any matter why the said device shuld be stayed or putt backe, to bring the same in wryting. Whear upon they consulting w<sup>th</sup> the Burgesses of the Stapleportes in Ireland, (w<sup>ch</sup> then by occasion wear in Dublin at Parlament) dyd make up sevne Articles of objections against the said devise, w<sup>ch</sup> being delyvered unto the L. Deputie, his L. delyvered me the same to make awnsweare unto the said objections. And having awnsweared them p'ticulerly, I redelyvered the boke into his L. and shortly after I chaunced to fall sycke of a dangerus ageue, by mean whearof ther was no reply made by the Staplers untyll a lytill while befor his L. dep'ted : but now having the same in redines, and the same is to be practised, or els the whole advauntage of this yeare wilbe lost, I have thought good to advertice your L'. theref, that no fawt be imputed to me. What the goodness or commoditie of the device is lyke to be, your Honour upon conference had wth the sd Lord Deputie or wth Mr. Tremain, who then was his L. Secretary, may easily conjecture. Butt I am farr deceved yf it advantage nott Her Matie. sevne or eight thowsand powndes every vere, besyde such porcion as Her Highnes hathe graunted me of the p'fittes of the said device; w<sup>ch</sup> porcion I mean wholy to bestow to the advancement of Goddes glory, Her Matie's honour, and utilitie of this my native contre, in erecting one College of Universitie here, whear Her Grace and your Honours shall thinke convenient. I have here sent by this bearer the warrant w<sup>ch</sup> was made to the L. Keper for passing my grawnt under the Great Seale, which your Honour staved untill ve understode the L. Deputie's opinion concerning the devise; w<sup>ch</sup> patent assone as I shall receve sealed w<sup>th</sup> the Great Seale, I will imediately resort unto Your Honors, to putt the device in practice; and in the mean whyle I remayne to understand your Honor's pleasurs; w<sup>ch</sup> I beseche your L. I may knowe wth all convenient spede; for yf I begin nott to practise at Barthelme tyde, or very shortly after, ther wilbe no good done this yeare. Thus I humbly take my leve, beseching the Almighty to encrease your L. in vertue and much honour. From Dublin this 15th of July Aº D'ni, 1571. Your L. to command, John Ussher.

"To the right honorable and my veray good Lord, the Lord Bourughley, one of the Qwene's Ma<sup>ties</sup> most hono<sup>ble</sup> Privie Cownsaile."

In the Dublin Assembly Rolls also are some notices of John Ussher.

1552. "An order that John Usher, Aldn., shall have 8s. 4d. in the lb. for what he shall discover of the City's Revenue and excused from serving Mayor."

1566. Easter Assembly, "Order that Mr. John Usher, Treasurer, Mr. Robt. Usher and others shall make a survey of the Town and Grange of Ballycullen, with all the appurts. and Mr. James Stanehurst shall have a lease thereof for 61 years after Mr. Chaloner's lease pay<sup>g</sup>."

1566. Mich. Assembly. "The Mayor and Corpn. entitled to Ferrowlyn and lands by authority of Parl. and yet many years neglected. It is ordered that Mr. John Usher, Aldn., hath undertaken to recover same at his own charges, to have one half during life and the other to the city."

1572, 14 Elizth. "John Ussher, Alderman, removed from being Alderman, and Nich. Duff elected in his Place."

23rd Eliz., 1581. "John Usher appointed Chamberlain of this City for the year, to receive 20s., to procure the orders that are used in London by the Chamberlain there."

37th Elizth., 1594. "Agreed in the Post Assembly that Wm. Gough shall take out the pleadings in Chancery of the Matter commenced by Mr. John Usher, against the City."

Also Archbishop Loftus in a letter to Secretary Walsingham in 1581, says:

"It may please your honour, whereas my verie good L. the Lord Deputie, in a generalitie hath commended to your Honors of the Counsell the sutes of the citie of Dublin, a long tyme sollicited there by Mr. Ussher, and for his better dispatche it hathe been ordered that their peticions were sent hither to be considered by the L. Deputy and counsell, who likinge thereof have also remitted them to the L. Chancellor of this realme, to have his opinion touchinge them, w<sup>ch</sup> as I doubte not it wilbe favorable consideringe their deserte and the equitie of their sutes; so I humblie beseche your Honor to be a meanes for the speedie dispatche of Mr. Ussher, and the endinge of their causes, their diligence and dutifullnes in all services are so thoroughly knowene unto you, and so well reported by my L. Deputy, that I nede not stande in commendacion thereof; my onely sute unto your Honor is for the speedie returne of Mr. Ussher, the cytic in these tymes standeth in suche nede of him, being a rare

man bothe for honesty and religion, that we lament his absence from us. Thus committing their causes to your honorable furtheraunce, I humblie take leave. From St. Sepulchre's the 3 of February,  $158_{\rm T}^{\circ}$ . Your Honors at commandement. Ad: Dublin.

"To the right honorable Sr. Frauncis Walsingham, Knight, Hir Mats. Principall Secretary."

In the Cal. State Papers, 1574-85, p. 353:

1582. John Ussher to Walsyngham—" Strongly urges the erection of a University out of the escheated lands as the only means, by educating the Irish youth at home, to keep them from rebellion in future and the notions imbibed at Louvain and Douay."

P. 387. Chancellor Loftus to Walsyngham—"In behalf of John Ussher, an Alderman of Dublin, whom he has induced to surrender his right in a copper mine to one Cruse, at the desire of Burghley and Walsyngham."

Same page-"John Ussher to Walsyngham re copper mines of Cashel."

John Ussher died in or before 1590, in which year Arlande Usher, gt., and Wm. Usher, gt., executors of John Usher FitzChristopher, late of Dublin, Alderman, Defts., were by a Chancery Decree to recover from certain plffs.  $\pounds 50$ , and 30s. costs.

By his wife Ales Newman he had issue :

- I. Christopher Ussher, who died young.
- II. Sir William Ussher, Knt., of Portrane, and Donnybrook, near Dublin, born 1561, Clerk of the Council, on March 22, 1593, Knighted by Sir George Cary, Lord Depy., 25th July, 1603, being St. James' Day, a burgess of Wicklow and M.P. for Wicklow, 1613.
  - He married first about 1586, Isabella, 2nd dr. of Adam Loftus, Lord Archbishop of Dublin, and first Provost of T.C.D., Lord Chancellor of Ireland, by his wife Jane, dr. of Adam Purdon, of Lurgan Race. Mrs. Isabella Loftus d. 11th Nov., 1597. Sir Wm. Ussher m. 2ndly, Margaret, dr. of Edward Cludde, of Orleton, Salop, widow of George Goodman, of St. John's, who d.s.p., 18th Sept., 1603. By Isabella Loftus he had issue, of whom we treat below.

William Ussher had a house in Bridgefoot Street, on the site of which now stands the Brazen Head Hotel, a quaint old inn, entered by an archway from the street through a passage leading into a court yard.

*Cal.* for 1581, p. 318-9, Andrew Trollope, "Reipublicæ Benevolus," to Walsingham—" My Lord Busshopp of Dublin hath marryed one daughter to Mr. Cowley, another to Mr. Warren, another to Mr. Ussher [another to Mr. Colcloght], and gave £500 a piece in marryage with them."

An account of the walls of Dublin, 1585, given in the *Cal. State Papers*, Ireland, says that, "From the towre in Mr. Wm. Harberde's possession to Mr. Wm. Usher's house is 140 foote distance, the wall 14 feet hie and 5 foote thick and no rampire within nor buttris withoute. The wall of one side of the said Mr. Usher's house to the bridge gatte is 104 foote, the wall 4 foote thick and 19 foote hie, and the ground is firme, 5 foote hie, within the said wall, and the Liffie goeth hard by, and at every full sea it floes upe against the said wall being a springe tide."

In the *Cal.* for 1586-88, p. 252, is, "a true advertisement of the Lord Chancellor of Ireland, his children how they be bestowed; 11. The second daughter is married to Wm. Uscher of Dublin, a private man, a citizen and an Alderman's son, able to dispend per annum 100 markes and the best part thereof is in leases."

Also p. 92—The Chancellor to Sir Ric. Byngham. An injunction to give up the Abbey of Boyle to Wm. Uscher of Dublin.

In Jan.,  $158\frac{8}{9}$  Nicholas White writes to his father Mr. John White of Dublin, mrcht., and mentions his cousin Wm. Usscher.

Wm. Ussher was made Clerk of the Council, 22nd March,  $159\frac{3}{4}$ , and always signed his name as *Wm. Vscher*.

There is another note in 1592, in a State Paper about Archbp. Loftus' alliances: "Beale' m. Wm. Ussher, who in lands of inheritance is worth £200 per ann., of kindred with the FitzSymons, also a great name—Wm. Ussher holds Lambaye, which Mr. Chaloner, the Queen's Secy. possessed for 300 years (to come) by leases several under chapter seal, and since wrested from his son Thos. (the doing whereof merits examin.) and holds by colorable grant, and leases the most of the tithes of benefices from Bray to Wicklow."

1586-88, p. 92. "The Chancellor to Sir Ric. Byngham—"An injunction to give up the Abbey of Boyle to Wm. Uscher of Dublin."

In 159<sup>‡</sup>, 6048 (4883), there is a grant to Wm. Ussher, Esq., Clerk of the Council of the office of Constable of the Castle of Wicklow, to be surrendered by Tho. Loftus. To hold during good behaviour; not to be removed.

In 1602, as Clerk he had a salary of £63 6s. 8d.; as Constable he had a salary of £13 6s. 8d. (*Cal. Irish S. P.*, 1602, p. 113).

In the house of Sir Wm. Ussher was executed the printing of the 1st Irish version extant of the New Testament, published with a title of which the following is the rendering: "The New Testament of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, faithfully translated from the Greek into Irish by William O'Donnell, Printed at the town of the Ford of the Hurdles (Dublin), in the house of Master William Ussher, at the foot of the Bridge, by John Francke, 1602." This is a very small folio of 214 leaves printed in double columns. Its translator was afterwards Archbishop of Tuam. In the address to James Ihe writes: "The present zeale and Christian affection of Sir William Usher, your Majestie's faithfull servant, and Clarke of your Councell Generall in Your Highnesse realme of Ireland (who following the steps of his religious father, willingly undertoke the greatest part of the charges of this impression) did greatly kindle mine affection to follow the worke with all earnestness."

In the 1st Jac. I., Sir Wm. Usher, Knt., and Arthur, his son, on 31st August, 1603, were appted to the Office of Genl. and principal Clerk of the Counsell in Ireland; also on the 28th June, 1605, to the Office of Constable of the Castle of Wickloe.

In 1604 Sir William Usher published a volume of "Instructions for his Children."

In 1606 he held the Rectory of Cloncurry, Co. Kildare, for the King. He was also Constable of Wicklow Castle in that year.

Page 443. Apr. 10th, 1606. Sir A. Chichester to the Earl of Devonshire— Has seen letters of the King written to Sir Wm. Ussher, before the death of the late Queen, in which his Majesty was pleased to take notice of him; this encourageth him to propound a reasonable suit regarding the fee farm of certain lands which he holds from the King... he has sent his son to be a

suitor in his behalf, he himself by reason of his place being tied to give attendance here.

Page 534, No. 814, 1606. "A docquet of borrowed money for the army in Ireland since 1st July, 1606, contains Sir Wm.'s name for £200."

1606-1608, No. 162. Sir A. Chichester to Salisbury—" Sir Wm. Ussher to succeed Sir Geoffry Fenton as Sec<sup>9.</sup> of State."

No. 593. Sir Wm. Ussher's name in a list of Knts., servitors, etc., who are willing to undertake and make good such quantities of the escheated lands in Ulster as will be most available for his Majesty's service.

In 1607, we find from the Patent Rolls, that there was a letter found at the door of the Council Chamber, addressed to Sir Wm. Usher, disclosing a Catholic plot to take the Castle of Dublin, and murder the L.D. and Sir Oliver Lambert. This letter was delivered by him to Sir A. Chicester, 18th May.

From the Dublin City Assembly Rolls, we learn that in 1609, "A lease was made to Sir Wm. Usher, Knt., for 150 years on the Isleland by West the Bridge at a yearly rent of £1 6s. 8d."

Cal. S. P., Ireland, 1610, No. 932, p. 546: "Warrant by the Ld. Dep. Sir A. Chichester to Sir John Davis, Knt., Attorney-Genl., to draw forth a fiant of a pardon of alienation of the island of Lambay and of the townlands and wood of Cullon, Co. Dublin, to Sir Wm. Ussher, Kt., his heirs and assigns. Dublin Castle, 22nd Dec., 1610."

Sir Wm. Ussher was a Burgess of Wicklow, 1611-14.

In Cal. S. P., 1613, p. 363: "John Wolferston and Patrick Barnewall were duly elected burgesses for Parliament for Wicklow, yet the Sheriff of the County and Portrieve have caused Sir Wm. Ussher and Sir Laurence Esmond to be returned indirectly;" p. 379, "A declaration of the Protestants regarding the proceedings in the Lower House at the opening of Parliament, signed by 42 members, including Sir Wm. Ussher" (there was a scene between Catholics and Protestants); p. 443, "concerning Sir Wm. Ussher's election."

In 1613, in reply to the accusation of certain Wicklow Recusants, it is stated that "in the town of Wicklow the Sheriff having directed his writ to Patrick Conway, as Portrieve to hold an election, one Wolverton and Robert Barnewall, at a meeting summoned by the Portrieve for court baron were elected; but this being without consent of the Portrieve, and Conway not

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being truly Portrieve,—for the town, being no Corp<sup>n</sup> before nor enabled to send burgesses was newly incorporated some few days before the issuing of the writ, and in that Charter Arthur Usher, Esq., was appointed Portrieve by His Majesty, was that election void, and they proceeded to a new election on the 1st of May, and Sir Wm. Usher and Sir Laurence Esmond were returned."

In the Lismore Papers, 2nd Series, Vol. I., p. 223, there is a letter of Sir Wm. Uscher to Boyle, addressed: "To the right worshipful my very worthy frend S<sup>r</sup> Richard Boyle,  $K^{t}$  and one of his Mat<sup>ies</sup> privie Counsell," endorsed "X<sup>o</sup> ffebruary, 1614, ffrom Sir William Vscher":

"Sir, I receaved your letter by this bearer, Mr. Snowell, together with your token, which is so good in the infancie as I can not doubt but that it wilbe very good when it cometh to full age. I send you here inclosed your warrantes of impost as you desyred. Here is no newes but that Sir Richard Cooke and his lady are lately arived, who bathed him selfe in holy well at this now Cominge through wales, which I thinke nether you nor I durst do. I cannot court you now with many complements, for I have bene busie all day, and it is now very late, my eyes dull and this bearer in hast. Lett me intreate you therefore in one worde to remember my hartiest salutations to your selfe, both my lady gossips and my daughter. And so I rest,

"Yours faithefully at command,

"from Dublin this "7 of February, 1614." "WILLIAM VSCHER.

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In 1616, "Sir Wm. Ussher, Knt., is fitt to be inserted in Commission of the Peace for the Co. Dublin." T.C.D. MS. E. 1. 1.

In the Pat. Rol. 15, Jac. I., is a Surrender by Adam Loftus of Monastervan, and Sir Will. Usher of Dublin City, Knt., of the territory of Shillelagh, now in Wicklow Co., near the Birne's county, and lately in Dublin, Wexford and Carlow Cos. 30 June, 1617.

No. 425, p. 195. List of Concordatums.

7th Decr., 1617, "To Sir Wm. Usher, Kt., Clerk, P.C., for his pains in keeping an exact book of all the sums of the Estreats fines, etc., taken at general and quarter sessions for 3 years at His Majesty's special directions."

1619. Concordatums, March, 1618 to Apr., 1619.

Feb. 6th. "Sir Wm. Usher, for monies disbursed to buy a carpet and other necessaries for the Council Chamber after the fire lately happened there."

1624, 22° Jac. I., Mar. 5, a grant from the King to Sir Wm. Usher, Knt., of the monastery of St. John Baptist near Loughcree, Co. Rosc., to hold in com. soccage as of the Castle of Athlone.

1625-31. No. 693. Feb. 8. "J. [?] Usher, Clerk of the Council of I. to Conway—has served as Clerk of the Council in Ireland 31 years with good approbation of the State, and spent the best part of his life in it, and now His Majesty has bestowed the reversion of his office upon one Mr. Hanway, reserving to him (Mr. U.) and his son who is joined in patent with him all fees and perquisites during our good behaviour, but Mr. H. now labours to have the present exercise of the office, contrary to His Majesty's letters patent to him (Mr. Usher). Beseeches him to afford him his favour in his just cause, being now a stranger in England, though in former times well known, and the oldest Officer the King has in Ireland. Lord Chichester has known him 20 years, and can best inform of him and his carriage."

Dr. Arthur in his Diary, 27th Feb., 1628, 18th Mar. and 28th March, 1628, enters Sir Gul. Vssher, senr., as paying £1 fee each time; also Sir W. Vssher, senr., 24th Feb., 1629, 11s., 3 Mart. 11s.

In Vol. D., p. 333 of the MSS. relating to the Irish Establishments, now in the I. R. Off., among the "officers attending y<sup>e</sup> State" is "Sir William Usher, Knt., Clerke of y<sup>e</sup> Council for his fee for 1 year 40 days ending 1636,  $\pounds 63$  6s. 8d."

SIR WILLIAM USSHER had issue by Isabella Loftus :

1. Arthur Ussher, his heir, of whom below.

H. Adam Ussher, born 1596, "Scoler of the Colledge Feb. 4, 1612." B.A. May 14th, 1616; Ulster King of Arms, joined in Patent with Daniel Molyneux, April 25th, 1629, and sole King of Arms June, 1632, died 1st July, 1633, by a fall from his horse at the entrance of the Phœnix Park, unmd. A stone with his arms is in the front wall of a public house in Fishamble Street, at the corner of Lord Edward Street, and

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at the rear is a small building containing a room with an elaborate ceiling which was doubtless the office of the Ulster King.

- 111. Mary Ussher, m. William Crofton, junr., of Temple House, Co. Sligo, son of Wm. Crofton, senr., and grandson of John Crofton, Escheator General of Ireland, under Queen Elizabeth, and had by him a dr. and heiress, viz.:
  - 1. Mary Crofton, m. George Percival, fifth son of Sir Philip Percival, and was the ancestress of the present Mr. Percival of Temple House, and of the family of Percival-Maxwell of Finnebrog, Co. Down.
- Iv. Jane Ussher, born 1582, d. 17th May, bur'd. 19th, 1674, in St. Audoen's Church, Dublin, m. Daniel Molyneux, born 1566, Ulster King of Arms, 1597, at £35 p. a., son of Sir Thos. Molyneux, Chanc. Hib. Exch., and Katherine, dr. of Ludovic Flahault, Governor of Bruges, who died 13th June, 1632. He made a celebrated collection of Irish family History, now among the MSS. T.C.D.

His prerog. will pr. 10th May, 1632, describes him as of Thomas Court, Dublin, and of Newland, Co. Dublin, and mentions that he and his eldest son Thomas made a lease for 80 years from date, to Sir Adam Loftus, Robt. Meridith, Wm. Vsher, eldest son of Arthur Vsher, Esq., Adam Vsher, second son of Sir Wm. Vsher, Kt., Philip Percivall, and Paule Davis, Esquires, of his estates; the office of King of Armes to be sould as scone as possiblie may bee and the money disposed by the donors in Lease; if the Office can't be sould, it is to be executed by him appointed by the donors, and Thos. Molyneux to have £20 a year out of it. His chamber at Thomas Court is mentioned.

From an account of the Molyneux family, printed at Evesham, in 1820, by Sir Capel Molyneux, Bt., we learn that Daniel Molyneux had once to decide a dispute as to precedence between Capt. (afterwards Sir Wm.) Stewart, who had m. a dr. of Sir Robert Newcomen, and his br.-in-law, Beverly Newcomen, who m. Margaret Ussher; the decision being made against Stewart, he made an attempt to assassinate Daniel and wounded him desperately. Daniel Molyneux and Jane Ussher had issue as follows:

- 1. Thomas Molyneux, Governor of Wicklow, slain by rebels in 1642.
- 2. William Molyneux, died 1651, buried in Lincoln's Inn Chapel.
- 3. Samuel Molyneux, "born 4th March, 1616, and only 16 years old at his father's death. In the time of the rebellion of 1641 his mother retired to London, where she continued till 1649. In 1646 Samuel m. Margaret, dr. and co-heiress of Wm. Dowdall of Dublin, by his wife Margaret Dongan. In 1649 Samuel's mother returned, and lived with her son Samuel till her death. She lived to be 92 years of age, and died 17th May, 1674, and was buried in her father's tomb in St. Audoen's. Saml. Molyneux died 23rd Jan., 1693, aged 76 years 10 months and 19 days, and was buried in old Sir Wm. Usher's tomb. He bought Castle Dillon, Co. Armagh in 1664." He was ancestor of Sir Capel Molvneux, Bt., and grandfather of Alice Molvneux, who m. Sir Richd. Wolseley, from whom are descended Sir Clement Wolseley. Bt. of Mt. Wolseley, Co. Carlow, and General Lord Viscount Wolseley of Cairo.
- 4. Arthur Molyneux, born 1618.
- Adam Molyneux, born 1623, m. Mary, dr. and co-heiress of Wm. Dowdall, d. June 25th 1674.
- 6. Margaret Molyneux.
- 7. Mary Molyneux.
- 8. Alice Molyneux, m. Robert Bowyer.
- v. Margaret Ussher, m. Sir Beverly Newcomen, Bt., Keeper of the King's House of Kilmainham, by warrant, 26th April, 1608, Provost Marshal of Loughfoyle 1610, son of Sir Robt. Newcomen, Knt., of Thomas Court, Dublin (Genl. Purveyor of Victuals to the Army by Patent), by Catherine, dr. of Thomas Molyneux, Chanc. Hib. Exch.

"Sir Beverly Newcomen, Knt. and Bt., Capt. of his Maj's good shipp called the Swallowe and Admirall of the Irish seas, m. Margt., 3rd dr. of Sir

Wm. Usher, by whom he had issue, Arthur, Cicely, d.y., and Katherine, who m. Richard Parsons, Esq., son and heir of the Hon. Sir Wm. Parsons, Knt. and Lord Justice of Ireland. Sir Beverly and Arthur, his son, were drowned 28th April, 1637, at Passage near Waterford, as they were coming in a long boat from the King's said ship." (Funl. Entry.) Catherine Newcomen, m. Richd. Parsons, Esq., son and heir appr. to the Hon. Sir Wm. Parsons, Knt. and Bart., Lord Justice of Ireland.

There are letters to Sir Beverly Newcomen in the Lismore Papers.

vi. Alicia Ussher, m. Sir Thomas Phillips of Hammersmith, Co. Middlesex, Knt., Constable of Toome, and of Newtownlimavadv, whose will was proved in 1635. He had three drs. Elizabeth, Dorothea, and Anne, and a son Chichester Phillips, and divided among them the £5,000 given him by the King. "My son to be earnest to solicit the King for some greater reward for my service in the Derry business." " My son Chichester to make a collection out of my papers and bookes of those thinges which doe concerne myne owne actions, passages in ffrance, Ireland and elsewhere, and conc<sup>g</sup> the Derry business, one Mr. Withers a poet to sett them forth and Sir Thomas died at Hammersmith. There is to get £30." a great deal of information about him and his buildings at Limavady in Hill's Account of the Plantation of Ulster.

- Alicia Ussher died 1st April, 1671, leaving in her will, "To my only child, Ann Coote my Exor. £400 from Capt. Nicholas; my body to be laid in the sepulchre of my father, and to that end £50 to bury mee. I never affected pompe in my life nor desire it at my death, onely a decent buryall; to Alles Cole £20, to Chidley Coote £20, to Phillips Coote £20, to Lawrence Parsons £20; to Lowther Parsons £20; to Margt. Collom £100, to her br. Wm. Parsons £100."
  - Elizabeth Phillips, m. Henry Warren.
     Dorothie Phillips m. Laurance Parsons, of Birr, in 1636, and was ancestress of the Earl of Rosse.
     Anne Phillips, m. Childley Coote of Killester, and had issue: Chidley Coote, the ancestor of

Sir Charles Coote, Bt., of Ballyfin, Queen's Co.; also Alice Coote, who m. Sir Michael Cole, and *was ancestress of the Earl of Enniskillen.* 4. Chichester Phillips, m. Susanna Warner, and had issue, Chichester Phillips [w. p. 12th Dec. 1728) m. Sarah Handcock, and had issue 4 sons, of whom Rev. Marmdake Phillips, d. 1770, leaving two drs., Abigail, wife of Godfrey Greene, and Jane, m. Richd. Blackburne of Co. Roscommon, whose dr. Mary m. Isaac Goldsmith, Dean of Cloyne.

- Alicia Ussher, Lady Phillips, was buried 6th April, 1671, in St. Audoen's.
  VII. Eleanor Ussher, m. Sir Charles Forster, Knt., Ald., Mayor of Dublin, 1640. He was 3 times married. By his wife Mabel, dr. of Nich. Kerdiff, and widow of Thomas Ormesby, Sheriff, Dublin, he had a son James; she d. 10th Oct., 1642, and was burd. in St. John's Church, the burying place of the Forsters. He m. 3rdly, Frances, dr. of Robt. Borrowes, and had a son, Chas. Forster, m. Eliz. Desminieres, and had issue : Richd. and Jane, and d. 1679.
- Was Ald<sup>n</sup> Forster son of Sir Chrpr. Forster, Mayor of Dublin, 1629?
- VIII. Anne Ussher, died 12th May, 1669, buried 15th May in St. Audoen's; m. in 1618, Sir Robert Meredyth, Chanc. Hib. Exch., and eldest son of Dr. Meredyth, Bishop of Leighlin. Sir Robert d. 17th Oct., 1668, and was buried 19th Oct., in St Patrick's Cathl.; in his will he desires to be buried there by Torch light without expense; "to my wife Anne, of whose piety and love I have had many yeares experience, I leave the house in the lane leading from Church Str. to Mary Abbey"; son Chas., son Robt., dr. Elizth. and son St. George Carr are mentioned.

From Anne Ussher, Lady Meredyth, are descended the following :---

Joseph-Henry Leeson, 5th Earl of Milltown, who was son of Joseph, 4th Earl of Milltown and Barbara, 2nd dr. of Sir Joshua-Colles Meredyth.

Theresa Meredyth, 4th dr. of Sir Joshua, m. James MacEvoy, Esq., of Tobertynan, Co. Meath, and had two sons and two drs., the 2nd of whom,

Barbara Frances MacEvoy, m. on 8th Jan., 1856, Sir J. Bernard Burke, C.B., LL.D., Ulster King of Arms, and has issue.

Sir E. H. J. Meredyth, Bt. of Greenhills is seventh in descent from Anne Ussher.

From the Vestry Book of St. Audoen's parish, Dublin (by the kindness of Rev. Christopher McCready) we extract the following notes :---

"Sir Wm. Usher, paid £1 0s. 0d. as cess for the parson in  $163\frac{5}{6}$ ."

In 1633 there was a meeting for the repairing of the Church ; among the names signed is Wm. Vsher, overseer.

On Aug. 25, 1636, Sir Wm. Ussher signs the book.

In 1637 Sir Wm. Ussher paid £1 0s. 0d. cess; Mrs. Ussher, widow, 8/-, and Mrs. Ussher for the White Hart, 10/-, and Sir Wm. Ussher signs a resolution to take down the organ and ruinous rood loft and to put up comely partition betw : nave and chancel.

In the assessment for 1653 Katherine Usher pd. 1/6, and in 1655 she paid 8s.

Sir Wm. Ussher, senr., presented a petition as follows, in 1636:

" The petition of Sir William Ussher, the elder, Knt.,

To the Prebend and Parishioners of St. Audoen's."

"The peticoner beinge to remove his Tombe from the place where nowe it stands in the Chancell of St. Audoen's Church, soe as one pte thereof may stand in the Chancell and another pte thereof in the Ile of the Church next to the place where the said Tombe now stands, hee desires yo<sup>u</sup> wilbe pleased to give waye thereunto in regard hee cannot possibly otherwise place it."

## Answer:

"Wee consent and agree that the fores'd Tombe bee placed in the said Chancell and Ile with what convenience the prebend, Churchwardens and one Alderman of the p'ish shall see most fittinge. The said Sr. Willm. Ussher paying yearly three shill fower pence Irish unto the Xchwardens for the tyme beinge, for such ground as belonging to the Asle his Tombe is placed on. Wittness our hands this third of Aprill."

"Upon the request of Sir Wm. Ussher the elder, Knight, wee Dudley Boswell, Prebend of St. Audoen's, Dublin, and John Ash, and Giles Drope,

Xchwardens of the p'sh, together with the rest of the p'shioners assembled this eleaventh of Aprill, 1637, in the Xch of St. Audoen aforesd doe hereby give and grant full libertie and license unto the sd S<sup>r</sup> William Ussher, Knt., to remove his tombe and to place it under the Arch that is on the South side of *the high Alter*, soe as one parte of the said Tombe may stand in the Chancell of the said Church and the other part in the Ile that is Southerly of the sd Chancell.

"And wee hereby give and grant unto the said Sir William Ussher, Knt., and his heires for ever soe muche ground as the said Tombe may conveniently stand on within the said Arch, conteineing eight foote in length next adjoyning to the East pte of the said Arch and fower foote in bredth on the north side of the Tombe belonginge to Eustace of Portlester, condy'lyee the said Sir William Ussher, Knt., his heires and executors paieing therefore yearely and every yeare for ever unto the Prebendrie of the said Xch of St. Audoen's for the tyme being two shill. Irish. And also paieing unto the Xchwdens of the sd p'ish for the tyme being 3 shill. fower pence Irish yearely and everie yeare for ever for the use of the sd Church, for testimonie whereof wee have hereunto sett our hands and seales, dated this eleventh of Aprill, 1637, Dudley Boswell, Jo. Ashe, Gyles Drope."

Sir William Ussher, senr., surviving his eldest son and heir, Arthur, died in Aug., 1659, his will dated 28th Dec., 1657, being pr. 26th Aug., 1659. The will which was nuncupative was proved in the Dub. Dio. Court.

"William Ussher, Knt., 26 Dec., 1657, made his last will, of sound memory though sick.

"Hee did leave and give to his grandson and heir apparent, Sir Wm. Ussher, Knt., the younger, all his the said Sir William Ussher, the elder's goods, money, debts, creditts, chattells and other estate whatsoever, which hee had not formerlie disposed of by writing, and did also then appoint the said Sr. William Ussher, Knt., the younger, his sole executor of his last will and Testament.

"Present when the above named Sir Wm. Ussher, Knt., the elder, made and declared his last will and Testament nuncupative in manner above written, wee whose names ensioe. PAUL DAVYS.

"RD. BOWYER.

PHILL BREMALLE.

J. USSHER."

[Qu. if this was Capt. James Ussher.]

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We now return to Arthur Ussher, eldest son of Sir William Ussher, Sen.

Arthur Ussher, gent., of Donnybrook, born about 1588, Deputy Clerk of the Council, eldest son and heir of Sir William Ussher, Knt., died 2nd March, 1628, in his father's lifetime, m. Judith, eldest dr. of Sir Robert Newcomen, Knt., by Katherine, dr. of Sir Thomas Molyneux, Chanc. Hib. Exch. Mrs. Ussher died 30th July, 1652, and was buried in St. Audoen's Church, Dublin. Arthur Ussher had numerous issue by her. He was joined with his father in the patent of the Office of Clerk of the Council on 31st Aug., 1603, and was appointed Portrieve of Wicklow in the Charter, 1611. His life was prematurely cut off by drowning when he was about 31 years old. He seems to have perished at the place where Ball's Bridge now is built. This bridge was so called certainly as early as 1724 (cf. St. Werburgh's Registers). In a rare book entitled "Ireland's Naturall History," 1645, by Gerard Boate, late doctor of Physic in Ireland, London, 1652, Chap. VII. sec. 7, "of the Brooks of Drumconran and Rafernam, Dublin," is an account of his death, though his Christian name is incorrectly given.

"Of dangerous brooks there are two, hard by Dublin, both running into the haven-the one at the north side, a little below Drumconran (the Tolka). the other at the south side close by the Ringsend. This called Rafernam water, from the village by which it passeth (the Dodder), is far the worst of the two, as rising out of those great mountains southwards from Dublin, from whence after any great rain it groweth so deep that many persons have lost their lives therein; amongst others Mr. John [for 'Arthur'] Ussher, father to Sir Wm. Usher that now is, who was carried away by the current, no body being able to succour him, although many persons, and of his nearest friends. both a foot and horseback were on both the sides. Since that time a stone bridge hath been built over that brook upon the way betwixt Dublin and Ringsend, which was hardly well accomplished, when the brook in one of those furious risings quite altered its channel for a good way, so as it did not pass under the bridge as before, but just before the foot of it, letting the same stand upon the dry land and consequently making it altogether useless; in which perverse course it continued until perforce it was constrained to return to its old channel and to keep within the same." The name "Ball's" was

given to the bridge probably either from Robert Ball, Mayor of Dublin, 1612, or from Thos. Ball, a builder of the period, or it may be a corruption of "bald."

In Boyle's Diary, April 11th, 1635, is the entry : "Sold Mr. David Begg remainder of 12 years I had to com in the lease of Mr. Arthur Vscher, in the Cellar and Romes above in Careles Inues, which I purchased of Mr. Thomas Ball, he since 1621 without paying me any rent, I having all the time paid Mr. Vscher and his widdoe viii<sup>11</sup> per annum () of the Churche, the cyttie and the souldiers."

Arthur Ussher had issue by Judith, his wife :

 Sir William Ussher the younger, of Bridgefoot, born about 1610 in Dublin, Kntd. 26th May, 1636, M.P. for the Co Dublin, 1661, lived at the Castle of Grange, Co. Wicklow, died 23rd April, 1671, buried in St. Audoen's Chancel the same day, seized of Portrane in the Co. Dublin.

He married in 1633 as his first wife, Elizabeth, dr. of Sir William Parsons of Bellamont, Bt., Lord Justice of Ireland; she died 29th Nov., 1638, and was buried 1st Decr., 1638, in St. Audoen's; he m. secondly, Ursula, only dr. of Capt. George St. Barbe\* of Dublin (and of the house of St. Barbe of White Parish in Wilts), by Mary, dr. of Edward Warburton, descended of the Warburtons of Arley in Cheshire. The M.L. (Consistl.) was dated 12th May, and the M. R. in St. Audoen's Register 19th May, 1645. Sir William Ussher had issue by both wives, for whom see below.

Boyle in his Diary, 20th Sept., 1634, says: "I rode with my dr. Kildare, Dongarvan and his Ladye, Will. Vscher, etc., to Maynooth to see the place, etc., dined and left my dr. there." Again, "June 10, 1635. Given my nephew, George Boyle, V lb. ster. at his departure from Dublin this daie in company with Sir Peercie Smyth and his Ladie, *my cozen*, Wm. Vscher's wife, Sir Wm. Parson's dr., towards Ballynetra; where I besech God to bless them."

<sup>•</sup> A Capt. John St. Barbe was in 1616 Constable of Ballinafad Castle, Co. Sligo, which he built. He is buried in the little Church of Ahanagh, Co. Sligo, near the Castle, according to an inscription on Mr. St. Barbe's tombstone, who died 1628, and which was existing early in this century. Richard St. Barbe of Ashington, Somerset, had issue : 1. Henry St. Barbe, whose grandson was created a Baronet. 2. Thomas St. Barbe, d. 1590, had issue (1) Thomas of Salisbury. (2) George, m. Mary Warburton, and had issue.



## SIR WILLIAM USSHER, SENR.,

Clerk of the Council (1594-1659).

From a Water-Colour Copy in Natl. Gal. of Ireland, of his picture at Castledillon.

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Sir Wm. Ussher was appointed Commissioner of Excise by King's Letter, 26th March, 1661 (cf. Carte Papers, Bodl. Lib.)

In the Dublin City Assembly, Christmas, 1663, "A Lease was made in fee farm for ever to Sir Wm. Ussher of a piece of ground commonly called the Island, lying behind his house in Bridge Street, and wh contns 4 acres 18 perches of firm land, and from the extreme part of said Island on the Liffey by a line towards the Bridge in wideness into the Liffey afsd, distant from sd Sir Wm. Ussher's wall 8 perches and also from the sd extreme pt. westwd. by the sd line into the Liffey 4 perches (vizt., from the furthest bank or out bounds of the sd Island next the mill stream) at 20/- rent, £50 fine."

Also in the Dublin Assembly, Easter 1666. There was granted "a Lease in fee farm to Sir Wm. Ussher of a waste piece of land lying behind the house of Alderman John Forrest, next the River Anna Liffey, which leadeth to the wall of the sd Sir Wm. Ussher's house, containing from the Bridge in breadth northwd., in length from the sd Bridge Gate, westward by the side of Sir Wm. Ussher's wall and house p'ting Aldn. John Forrest his holding 70 yards or thereabouts, and at the west end from the south towards the north unto the River 21 yards next adjoining the land already let to Sir Wm. Ussher, Rent 40/-, with capons to surrender Alderman Forrest's Lease of the premises."

Notices of Sir Wm. Ussher, junr., are to be found in the Vestry Book of St. Audoen's, Dublin: In 1644, £1 10s. for parson's stip.; 1645, sessor, assessmt., £1 10s.; 1647, sessor.; 1648, £1 10s., assessmt.; 1650, sessor, £1 10s. for cess; 1653, signed book at Easter assessmt., 7s. 6d.; 1655, March 10, cess meeting, signs book and appointed collector; 1656, £2 10s. for minister's stipend; 1657, April 9, signed book, 14s., sessor  $p^4$  £3; 1658, Augst. 31, a meeting as to bells, Sir Wm. Ussher subscribes £1 10s. assessment for parson, Sir Wm. Usher, £3. He signed the book May 9th, 1659, and same year gave £410 towards repairing the church. In 1660, £3 to minister's stip., signed book; 1661, sessor, signed book; 1662, £3 for parson; 1665, £3 to parson; Jan., 1668, for re-edifying of church, Sir Wm Usher, £5.

In 1665 Sir Wm. Ussher was seized of the tithes of the fisheries of Portrane, Co. Dublin.

There is a gr. admon. Intest. of the goods of Sir Wm. Ussher, junr., in

1671, and in 1673 a gr. admon. of the goods of Sir Wm. Ussher, senr., to Christopher Ussher of Dub., Esquire, great grandson. For the children of Sir William Ussher, junr., see Chap. XII.

- 2. Margaret, dr. of Arthur and Judith Ussher, m. Sir Paul Davis, Knt., Clerk of the Council. She died 20th July, 1633. She had one son, James, buried 12th July, 1638, in St. Audoen's. Sir Paul died 7th, and was buried 8th Dec., 1672, in St. Audoen's. By his 2nd wife, Ann Parsons, he had issue a son, Sir John Davis, m. Ann . . . and had issue, Sir Paul Davis, Bt., Lord Mountcashel, d. Aug., 1716, and was succeeded in the title by his two sons, James and Edward, d.s.p.
- John Ussher, Capt. in King Charles I.'s army, and said to have been killed in battle (cf. Playfair). In the list of the Irish Military Establishments in 1648, in T.C.D. MS., F 3, 13, p. 21, Capt. John Ussher commands the 3rd Compy. of Col. Wm. Flower's Regt. A John Usher, Esq., of Dublin, was M.P. for Newtownlimavady, 1639.
- 4. James Ussher, a Captain in the army under Chas. I., said to have died in battle (cf. Playfair), but in Vol. L., p. 13, of the MSS. relating to the Irish Establishments, among the Captains of foot on Irish half-pay is "James Usher, 1668." The Earl of Cork in his Diary writes: "23rd Augt., 1639. This day came from Skolton [in Gloucestershire], thearle of Barrymore with Capts. Jas. Vscher, Captn. fitzGerald of Ballymertir, Captn. Henesie, and the King having given only £2,000 for raising and bringing out of Ireland 1,500 Irish soldeers, came to Stalbridge."
- 5. Adam Ussher, mentioned in grant admon., 1715.
- 6. Beverly Ussher, Colonel in the Duke of Ormonde's Guard, of whom see in Chap. XV.
- Katherine Ussher, m. Sir Philip Percival, Knt., ancestor to the Earl of Egmont. She died 2nd Jany., 1681, and was buried 6th Jany., in St. Audoen's, leaving issue two sons:

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1. Sir John Percival, created Bart. 1661. 2. George Percival.

Sir Philip Percival was son of Richard Percival, of the house of Ivry, whose ancestors came over to England with Wm. the Conqueror, and who being at the Court of Elizabeth, after one day's scrutiny deciphered the secret letters taken on board of a Spanish vessel, which first revealed the design of the Armada. Sir Philip obtained grants of forfeited lands in Ireland to the amount of 10,000 acres. In the patent of the baronetcy was a clause that the eldest son or grandson shall exist a Bart. after the age of 21 years at the same time with his grandfather or father. This family were elevated to the Peerage in 1715. The Earl of Egmont is the present representative.

 Isabella Ussher m. as his 2nd wife, in 1635, Sir Percy Smyth, Knt., of Ballynatray, Co. Waterford. He m. 1st, Mary, dr. of Robert Meade of Broghill, Co. Cork, and by her, who d. 27th Nov., 1633, had issue four drs.: 1. Mary, 2. Dorothy, bothd. young. 3. Mabella, m. Sir Harry Tynte.
 4. Joan m. Col. Beverly Ussher. The Earl of Cork says in his Diary : "Feb. 9th, 163<sup>‡</sup>, Sir Peercie Smythe was married to Mrs. Issabell Vscher." "June 10th, 1635, this daie departure from Dublin in company with Sir Peercie Smyth and his ladie, my cozen Wm. Vscher's wife, Sir Wm. Parson's dr. towards Ballynetra ; where I beseech God to bless them."

Sir Percy Smyth d. in 1657. In his prerog. will proved that year he desires to be buried in the Earl of Cork's tomb in Youghal Church, with his father and mother, and mentions his wife Isabella, and her sons Boyle, Percy, William, Richard and John Smyth, also his dr. Joan Vscher, and his well-beloved brother-in-law, Lt.-Col. Beverly Vscher. He had also by Isabella Ussher, five drs., Margaret d. unmd., Elizabeth m. Chas. Oliver of Castle Oliver, Isabella m. Walter Galway of Cork, Maria m. Very Rev. Arthur Stanhope, Dcan of Waterford; Catherine m. Rev John Rugge. Sir

Percy was the eldest son of Sir Richard Smyth, of Heath Hall, Yorks, and after of Ballynatray, by his wife Mary Boyle, who was dr. of Roger Boyle, and his wife Joan Naylor,\* and sister of Richard Boyle, the great Earl of Cork. The late Richard Smyth, Esq., of Ballinatray, lineal descendant of Sir Percy's 4th son, Richard, left by his wife Harriet, 2nd dr. of Hayes St. Leger, 2nd Visct. Doneraile, an only dr. and heiress, Charlotte Mary, who m. Hon. Chas. Wm. Moore (brother of Stephen Moore, 4th Earl of Mountcashell), who assumed by Royal License the name of More-Smyth, and is heir presumptive to the Earldom.

- 9. Christopher Ussher, died young.
- 10. Philip Ussher, died young.
- Arthur Ussher. In MS. Vol. F, relating to the Irish Establishments, p. 272, Irish Army List, is the name of Cornett Arthur Usher, 1662.

We find in MS. Vol. D, same series, p. 440: "Cornet Arthur Usher in full satisfaction of all y<sup>e</sup> arrears and pay due to him as Cornet to Sir Theophilus Jones, his Troope of Horse in His Majestie's Army in Ireland, from 21 Oct., 1661, to 27 July, 1662, by warrant dated 23rd March, 1667. £45 3s."

"Ensign of a Regt. lately in Ireland, and now in or about London, 22 March, 1668, and out of employment." (Brit. Mus. Add. MS., 28,938).

A letter of Arthur Usher from Tecroghan to Sir Theophilus Jones, dated 25th Jan., 1681, is preserved in the Ormonde Collection of Letters at Kilkenny Castle, page 786 b, also another from him to the Duke of Ormonde, 1685, page 802, and one of a Mrs. Usher, page 543 b.

In the Ormonde Collection at Kilkenny Castle is a

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<sup>\*</sup> A portrait in oils of Robert Naylor of Canterbury, father of Joan Boyle, in armour, with many other fine family portraits, and all the original title deeds of the Smyth property of Headborough and Ballynatray, is at Ballynatray.

Certificate, 10th Nov., 1685, as to the loyalty of Arthur Usher, signed by Ld. Granard and Sir Thos. Newcomen.

He afterwards lived at Osbertstown, Co. Kildare, with his brother-in-law, Sir Theophilus Jones (cf. will of Col. Beverly Ussher, 1683, who names him), and latterly in Werburgh Street, Dublin. His will (Dub. Dio.) was pr. 26th Novr., 1707. The will bears a seal with the Ussher arms, and reads thus : "I, Arthur Ussher, Esq., of Dublin, will to be buried in St. Audoen's Church, the burying place of my family-to my nephew Wm. Ussher of Bridgefoot, Esq., son to Christopher of the same, Esq., late deceased, my house and ground whereon it stands in St. Warborough Street, late in the occupation of Rd. Buckley, decd., and all other houses and gardens in sd street, then to Wm. Ussher, eldest son and male heirs, and for default to Henery Ussher and male heirs, and for want of them to my nephew John Ussher, son to Sr Wm. Ussher, decd., and Master of Chancery-to my servant Ralph Barker, £40; to my nephew Adam, son to sd Sr Wm. Ussher, £100. Item to Frederick, son to Adam, £30. Item to sd nephew John Ussher, £20; to nephew Arthur Ussher, son of Sir Wm. Ussher, £20, etc. Nephew Wm. Ussher, Exor. 18 Nov., 1707, 6th year of Queen Anne."

There is a prerog. gr. admon. of the goods of Arthur Ussher, late of Dublin, arm. intest to Adam Ussher his brother, John Ussher of Dub., arm. nepos (1716, May 5), ex p'd necnon prox. consanguin. dfti Arthur Ussher.

There is also a Common Pleas judgment of Arthur Ussher v. the Duke of Ormonde, about 1680.

12. Alice Ussher m. Sir Theophilus Jones of Osbertstown, Naas, Co. Kildare.

She died 12th Jan., 1686. He died before her. In his prerog. will he mentions that he had bequeathed to his son, Sir Arthur Jones, in his marriage settlement estates in Co. Westmeath, Tipperary, King's and Queen's Counties

and elsewhere, and he now settles on him and on his sons-in-law, Francis Butler and Charles Rochfort all others. Jan., 1685, by his wife and son, executors. Jones, Robt. Rochfort, Theo. Harrison.

According to the parish Register of Naas, "Sir Theophilus dyed and bur'd. the 8th of Jan., 168<sup>‡</sup>." Sir Theophilus was a Colonel of Horse. He was son of Dr. Lewis Jones, Bishop of Killaloe, by Mabel, dr. of Arland Ussher and Margaret Stanihurst. A pedigree of the Jones family was published in the *Irish Builder*, 1888. In the Naas Register, "Thomas Jones, son of Sir Arthur Jones, Knt., by Mary his wife, was born at Osberstown in this parish, the 11th of Feb.,  $16\frac{2}{80}$ , at 12 of the day and was christened 17th March by . . ." [the rest is torn away]. Also, "Bur'd. Naas, Alice, dr. of Sir Arthur Jones and Mary his wife." There is a paten in use at Naas Church, with this inscription, "A paten given by Dr. Ambrose Jones, Ld. Bishop of Kildare, to Trinity Chapel, Osberstown, being lost in the troubles of 1688, this is given in lieu thereof by Lady Mary Jones."

The Earls of Lanesborough are descended from Alice Ussher, Lady Jones.

## CHAPTER XII.

## SIR WILLIAM USSHER, JUNIOR, AND THE USSHERS OF USSHER'S QUAY.

Pedigree of the Family of Sir William Ussher, Junior.

- SIR WM. USSHER, Junior, born about 1610, Knted. 26th May, 1636, Churchwarden of St. Audoen's, 1660, d. 1671, m. 1st, Elizabeth Parsons, and had issue :
  - I. ARTHUR USSHER, born about 1633, d.s.p.
  - II. CHRISTOPHER USSHER of Bridgefoot, born about 1634, d. 1707, m. about 1674, Martha, dr. of Thos. Piggott, who d. 1682, and had issue:
    - 1. Elizabeth Ussher, born 1674, died 1675.
    - 11. William Ussher of Ussher's Quay, born 1675, d. 1719, M.P. for Limavady, 1713, m. 1695, Lettice, dr. and co-h. of Sir Henry Waddington, and had issue:

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- 1. Martha Ussher, born 1696, d. 1709.
- 2. Lettice Ussher, born 1697, d. 1701.
- 3. Christopher Ussher, born 1698, d. 1699.
- Dorothy Ussher, born 1700, d.s.p. 1723, m. 1721, Richard Wingfield, afterwards Viscount Powerscourt.
- 5. William Ussher, born 1703, d. 1705.
- 6. William Ussher, of Ussher's Quay, born 1705, d. unmd. 1747.
- Henry Ussher, of Ussher's Quay, born 1706, d. 1761, m. 1739, Frances, dr. of Samuel Waring of Waringstown, and had issue:
  - (1) William Ussher, born 1740, d.y.
- 8. Lettice Ussher, born 1708, d. 1713.
- 9. John Ussher, born 1709, d. 1713.
- 10. Martha Ussher, born 1712, d. 1763, m. 1740, Anthony Marlay, and had issue :
  - (1) Letitia Marlay, m. 1765, Sir Richd. Wolseley, and had issue: Sir Richd. Wolseley, d. unmd. 1819.
- 111. Martha Ussher, bap. 17th July, 1677, d. July, 1751, m. 1st, Chief Justice Nehemiah Donnellan, and had issue; m. 2ndly, 12th July, 1712, Hon. Philip Percival.
- IV. Florence Ussher, born about 1678, d. 1682.
- v. Henry Ussher, born 16-, d. 1741.
- III. MARGARET USSHER, born 1635, m. Richard Neville; both died 1682.
- IV. JUDITH USSHER, born 1636, d. 11th Oct., 1674, m. Sir James Wemyss, and had issue:
  - 1. Elizabeth Wemyss, d. 1688.

11. Judith Wemyss.

- V. ELIZABETH USSHER, born 1637, d. unmd. 1675.
- SIR WILLIAM USSHER, junior, m. 2ndly, in 1645, Ursula St. Barbe, and had issue:
  - VI. JOHN USSHER, Master of Chancery, born 1646, d. 1732, of whom see presently in Chap. XII.
  - VII. WILLIAM USSHER, born 1647, d. unmd. 1686.

- VIII. ADAM USSHER, Archdeacon of Clonfert, born 1650, d. 1713, m. 1677, Rebecca, dr. of Gilbert Wye of Fahan, Co. Derry, who d. 1694, and had issue:
  - 1. Ann Ussher, born 1678.
  - 11. Rev. Wm. Ussher, born 1680, Archd. of Clonfert, m. Mary Jenney, and had issue :
    - Christophilus Ussher.
       Rev. Mm. Ussher, Archdn.
       Rev. Adam Ussher.
       Arthur Ussher, 5. Mary Jenney Ussher, Viscountess Molesworth.
  - 111. Rebecca Ussher, born 1682, m. Rev. Alex. Knox, Rector of Ramelton, and had issue.
  - IV. Ursula Ussher, born about 1684, m. Nathl. (?) Smith.
  - v. John Ussher, born 1686, d. 1688.
  - vi. Elizabeth Ussher, born about 1687.
  - vii. Rev. Frederick Ussher, born 1689, m. Martha Cope, and had issue, d.v.p.
  - VIII. Adam Ussher, born 1691, m. Jane Tichborne, and d.s.p.
    - IX. Arthur Ussher, born 1693.
    - x. Charles Ussher, born 1694, d. 1770, m. . . . and d.s.p.
  - [XI. John Ussher, year of birth uncertain, m. Sarah Murphy and had issue, see Chap. XIV.]
  - IX. ARTHUR USSHER of Ramelton, d. unmd. 1732.
    - X. HENRY USSHER, born . . ., d. 1658.
  - XI. MARY USSHER born..., m. Henry Colley in 1674, and had issue:
     1. Richard (Colley) Wesley, first Lord Mornington.
  - XII. FRANCIS USSHER, born 16 . . .
- SIR WM. USSHER, junr., by his first wife, Elizabeth Parsons, had issue:
  - I. ARTHUR USSHER, who was born about 1633, died young.
  - II. CHRISTOPHER USSHER of Bridgefoot and Ussher's Quay, who was born about 1634, died 10th Jany., 170<sup>§</sup>; his will was proved 1707. In Lord Capel's letters is one to Scc<sup>3.</sup> Coventry, dated June 2nd, 1675, in which he says: "This gent., Mr. Usher will attend you, etc., and papers are sent

about the lawsuit with a whole society and that, of the judges and lawyers of Ireland."

He signed the Vestry book of St. Audoen's for the first time, 14th Oct., 1673, and again, Feb., 1674; 17th March, 1678, and 30th May, 1681.

The names of Christopher and Wm. Ussher appear for the Co. Wicklow in the Subsidy Act, 1698, and that of Christopher for Dublin City in 1695.

A writer, quoted by Gilbert, writes in 1698: "Christopher Ussher of Bridge Foot is a person of true piety, solid judgment, and great estate, and God has given him a heart to do good with it in his lifetime, for he is very eminent for his great charity, and a vast encourager of learning. I could write a folio in this gentleman's praise, but he's as humble as he's rich; so I shan't, lest I offend his modesty, but this bit is enough to show how worthy he is of that great name he bears."

He m., 1675, Martha, dr. of Thomas Piggott of Long Ashton, Co. Somerset, Master of Wards in Ireland; she died, and was buried Sept. 31st, 1682, in St. Audoen's. By her he had issue:

- 1. Elizabeth Ussher, born 1674, buried at St. Audoen's, 23rd Dec., 1675.
- William Ussher of Ussher's Quay, born in Dublin, bapt. 19th Novr., 1675, at St. Audoen's, educated by Mr. Johnson, Wansworth, Co. Middlesex, entered T.C.D., 1691, Sch. 1699, M.P. for Limavady, 1713-1715, died 20th Jany., 1718, buried in St. Audoen's.

A letter of Wm. Ussher in Brit. Mus. Add. MS. 28, 890, to the brother of Welbore Ellis, Bishop of Meath, runs thus:

" To John Ellis, Esq.,

"Sr.,—The Bearer, Mr. Sherlock, is my freind whom I have desired to waite upon you about an arrear of rent due to me for a piece of land your brother, S<sup>r</sup> Wm. Ellis, held by lease from my father and w<sup>ch</sup> I understand is by act of parliament conveyed to you, itt is sole considerable a sum amounting to  $\pounds 2,400$  pounds and allowed and decreed me by our trustees (w<sup>ch</sup> I apprehend by a change in your act is to be made good) that I am very desirous itt should be made an end of and therfore must desire you may come to some resolution w<sup>th</sup> him about it w<sup>ch</sup> shall be conclusive to y<sup>r</sup> most Hum. Ser.,

"WM. USSHER."

William Ussher, senr., of Ussher's Quay, m. in 1695, Lettice, dr. and co-heiress of Sir Henry Waddington, Knt., of Clostokin, near Athenry, Co. Galway by his wife Martha Bagot; Wm. Ussher died 20th Jan.,  $171_{3}^{s}$ ; a Prerog. gr. admon. of his goods was obtained 21st Feb.,  $171_{3}^{s}$ , by Letitia his relict, for his children, William, Henry, Dorothea, and Martha, minors. A commission with respect to his property was issued by the Prerog. Court in 1719. His wife, Lettice Ussher, died in 1732, and was buried in St. Audoen's. In her prerog. will she desires to be buried by her husband and children, devises her estate, etc., in trust to cozen Nehemiah Donallan, Esq., now residing in the Co. Wicklow, Rev. Arthur Ormsby of Ballygrenane, near Limerick, and Christopher Ussher of the Linen Board. Her dr. Martha to have two-thirds, son Henry Ussher one-third ; if Martha die, etc., her share to go to brothers William and Henry. £100 per ann. annuity p'chased for son Henry ; son William owes £500 for diet, etc., many years ; dr. Martha to have £4,000 : w. pr. 26th Jan., 1732.

On 2nd March, 1731, Lettice Ussher, in a deed of sale of woods mentions that her br., Digby Waddington, died leaving her and her sister, Dorothy Waddington, als Tempest, now Ormsby, co-heiresses of Sir Henry Waddington and his wife Martha Digby, als Bagot [younger dr. of Rev. Essex Digby, 6th son of Sir Robert Digby and the Baroness Offaly, and br. of the first Lord Digby. Essex Digby, Bishop of Dromore, m. 2ndly, Lettice, dr. of . . . Brereton].

Wm. Ussher, sen., had issue by Lettice his wife :

- 1. Martha Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's, 25th June, 1696, buried 1st May, 1709.
- Lettice Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's, 20th June, 1697, buried 12th Oct., 1701.
- 3. Christopher Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's, 9th July, 1698, buried 8th April, 1699.
- 4. Dorothy Ussher, born about 1700, d.s.p. 1723; she m. Richard Wingfield (afterwards Lord Powerscourt) 30th Aug., 1721, by Prerog. Lic.; she was buried Dec. 30th, 1723, in the Church of St. Audoen's. Mrs. Pendarves in a letter dated Dublin, 1729, says: "Mrs. Donnellan spoke of a

friend of hers, an elder sister of Miss Usher's, adorned with uncommon accomplishments of mind and body. She married greatly, and in the midst of the most splendid gay and happy life, was seized with a consumption that hurried her from what she enjoyed here, in all likelihood to an uninterrupted happy state."

- 5. William Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's, 21st Sept., 1703, buried 1705.
- William Ussher, jun., of Ussher's Quay, born about 1705, d.s.p. 1747, enter'd T.C.D. as a Fellow Commoner 1719, B.A. 1727, High Sheriff, Co. Dublin, 1733.

There are notices of him in Mrs. Pendarves, als Delany's Letters. Thus, in a letter of 26th Sept., 1731: "Miss Usher's brother is a very agreeable young man, has sense and humour, but is so backward that I believe I never shall be better acquainted with him than to ask the common question of the hour and weather, etc."

However she soon changed her mind and wrote, Dublin, 14th Dec., 1731, "Went to the ridotto. I danced with Mr. Usher 2 dances and had like to have been torn limb from limb." "This afternoon, music. Mr. Usher (who bythe-by is given me for a husband by the tattle of the town) came." 3rd Feb., 1732. "Monday evening had an assembly of our prettiest men, Mr. Will Usher, etc.-Tuesday, were to eat oysters at Mr. Pilkington's, and went, accordingly every woman was to take a man. My man was to have been Mr. Usher, but he basely deserted me." Dublin, 30th March, 1732. "Yesterday an assembly at Mrs. Butler's; while eating, fiddles were sent for. Phill. danced with her cousin Will. Vsher." "Dangan, 29th May, 1732. We left Dublin, Mr. Usher, Nemmy Donnellan, etc., on horseback." " Jan., 1733. Last Tuesday dined at Mr. Usher's-we are to have a ball, of which 3 Kings and 3 Queens, vizt., Lord Mountjoy, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Usher, Miss Penyfather, Miss Biddy Southwell, and myself." "20th Feb., 1733. Mr. Usher is to call on us at one o' the clock to take the air; afterwards we are to go home and dine with him; the hour draws near and I am not yet dressed, so farewell." "Dangan, 5th April, 1733. Mr. Wesley has provided every one with a walking staff whereon is fixed our Parnassus' name. Mr. Usher is Vulcan." "11th April,

1733. Trim is the County Town; went and saw King John's Castle; his butler, gentleman-usher and standard bearer were the ancestors of the Duke of Ormond, Mr. Usher and Mr. Wesley. Mr. Usher being High Sheriff of Co. Dublin this year, had to go to town."

In Faulkner's *Dublin Journal*, 1747, we read that, "Wm. Usher of Usher's Quay, Esq., died 7 July, and is succeeded by his brother Henry Usher, Esq., Councellor." Also, in Faulkner's, 2nd Jan., 1748, is an advertisement of the sale of part of the estate of Wm. Usher, Esq., decd., for payment of debts, viz.: part of Donnybrook, set at £416 7s. 6d. per ann., the peel near Clonskeagh, also Killeroghter, Ballynehinch and Ballynowlan, Co. Wicklow, the ground-rents of a great part of Usher's Quay, Bridgfoot St., £458 per ann. and a tenemt. in High Str., called 'The Three Candlesticks,' set at £10 p. ann."

 Henry Ussher, born 1706, bap. Sept. 24th, St. Audoen's, confirmed at St. Patrick's Cathl. 1720, entered T.C.D. 24th April, 1722, B.A. Vern. 1726, Councillor-at-law, afterwards succeeded in 1747 to his brother William's estates. He lived in King St., Stephen's Green, and m. Frances, dr. of Samuel Waring of Waringstown, Co. Down, M.P. for Hillsborough by his wife, Grace, dr. of the Rev. Samuel Holt, (Saml. Waring was son of Wm. Waring, who m. 2ndly, Jane Close). The License (Consist'l) of H. Ussher's marriage is dated 8th April, 1739. They were married at St. Anne's, Dublin, 10th April, 1739, by Rev Mr. Holt.

Mrs. Pendarves says, "13th July, 1731, London. Last Friday I dined at Mr. Wesley's and met Harry Usher." Again, "19th July, 1752. Will's brother Harry Usher, been a year or two at the Bath; his wife is a pretty woman."

In the Registers of St. Bride's Church, Dublin, the baptism of Wm. Ussher, son of Henry and Frances Ussher of Peter St., Dublin, on May 28th, 1740, is given. He must have died in infancy. Henry Ussher was buried in St. Audoen's from King St., Stephen's Greer, 23rd Jan., 1761.

His prerog. will was proved 29th Jan., 1761 and requests that the debts of his late father Wm. Usher, Esq., and his late brother Wm. Usher, Esq., and his own debts be first paid. Further, "I leave the fee farm rents and lands of Inheritance to Isaac Holroyd and Stratford Canning of Dublin, Esqrs.,

in trust, viz., if I die without issue in the lifetime of my wife Frances, for the use of my wife, and after dec. for my sister Marlay, wife of Anthony Marlay, Esq., and after for the first son of Martha Marlay, etc., and in default of such male issue to Lettice Marlay, only dr. and her heirs male, and in default to Christopher Usher, of Mt. Usher, late clerk of the Linen Board. For my wife, the plate, all the ready money, etc., and she to be sole executrix. Dated 24th Aug., 1757." He also mentions in it a mortgage on Lambay Island.

A portrait of Mrs. Henry Ussher is preserved in Waringstown House, near Lurgan, Co. Down, the residence of her brother's descendant, Colonel Waring, M.P., together with a quantity of old plate engraved with the Ussher arms. Mrs. Ussher spent much time at Bath, and it is said that one night when she was at a party her footman arrived at the host's house seeking her. He told the butler to say that she was wanted, and when the butler asked how he should know her, was told in reply, to go to the handsomest old lady in the drawing room. She died at an advanced age.

- 8. Lettice Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's, Jan. 19th, 1708, buried 15th Augt., 1713.
- 9. John Ussher, d.y., buried in St. Audoen's, 9th Sept., 1713.
- 10. Martha Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's, 27th July, 1712, d. 1763.

Mrs. Pendarves in a letter, Dublin, 1729, says: "I am pleased you took so much notice of Miss Ussher;" and on 22nd Sept., 1731: "Mrs. Ussher and her son and daughter came; you were much enquired after and heartily wished for; the next day we dined at Mrs. Usher's and supped, an established rule in this place, and were very handsomely entertained." Again, "26th Sept., 1731. Your friend Miss Ussher is much improved, and very justly placed among the pretty women. She is a very good humoured cheerful girl, and much at your service, as she often tells me." Again, "Jan. 4th, 1733, Dublin. To-day I dine at Mr. Stanley Monck's. In the evening oysters—Miss Ussher and her cousin, Miss Ormsby, came."

Martha Ussher m. 26th Oct., 1740, in St. Audoen's Church, Dublin, Anthony Marlay, 3rd son of Chief Justice Thos. Marlay, by whom she had issue:

- Lettice Marlay, born ab<sup>t</sup> 1741, m. Richard Wolseley, Esq., in St. Thomas' Church, Dublin, 31st Jan<sup>y.,</sup> 1765 (the Bishop of Clogher performing the ceremony), and had issue :
  - Richard Ussher Wolseley, born in Marlborough Street, bap. St. Thomas' Church, Dub., 7th May, 1766, who succeeded his father as Bart., and died unmd. 1819.
  - [2] A son, born 27th March, 1667, d.y.
  - [3] Antony Ussher Wolseley, born in Earl Street, Dub., bap. 23rd Sept., 1772, St. Thomas' Church, Dub., d.y., son of Sir Richard and Lady Wolsely.

Sir Richard Wolseley, the husband of Miss Ussher, was eldest son to Sir Richard Wolseley, of Mt. Wolseley, Co. Carlow, and Alice, great granddaughter of Daniel Molyneux and Jane Ussher. William Wolseley, Capt. 8th Hussars, was his youngest brother, and grandfather of Viscount Wolseley. Lord Wolseley possesses some property on Usher's Quay out of which he was awarded  $\pounds 1,220$  compensation by the Corporation of Dublin for two houses, No. 9 and 10, which are to be taken down to make a new street from New Row thro' Mullinahack (1888).

- Martha Ussher, dr. of "Squire" Christopher and Martha Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's, July 17th, 1777, died July, 1751, m. first, Nehemiah Donnellan, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, M.L. March 21st, 1694, and had issue:
  - Martha Donnellan, bap. 18th Nov., 1695 [was she wife of Wm. Maynard, buried Jan. 16th, 1713, in Squire Usher's vault?]
  - 2. Elizabeth Donnellan, born 1696, buried 23rd April, 1698.
  - 3. William Donnellan, d.y.
  - 4. Christopher Donnellan, born 1703; F.T.C.D., 1728-35; Rector of Iniscarra, Co. Cork, d. 1750.
  - 5. Catherine Donnellan m. Dr. Clayton, Bishop of Clogher.
- IV. Florence Ussher, born 1678, buried St. Audoen's, 3rd Oct., 1682.

v. Henry Ussher, buried St. Audoen's, 1st Dec., 1741.

III. Margaret Ussher, born 1635, m. Richard Neville; both died 1682.

- IV. Judith Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's 8th May, 1636, m. Sir James eldest son of Sir Patrick Wemyss at St. Audoen's, 5th Feb., 1665, died 11th Oct. and buried 14th Oct., 1674, in St. Audoen's; she had issue by Sir James Wemyss (who d. 1672, leaving his wife by will £250 p. ann.) two drs. and cc-heiresses, viz. :
  - Elizabeth Wemyss, who in her will pr. Dublin 1688, leaves to her relatives the following legacies: "I leve to Chris'for, to my oncle Ussher £200, to Wille Ussher £100, to Mabe Ussher £100, to Mabe Wemyss £100, to my cosen Frances Wemyes £100, to my aunt Jons £50, to my cosen Morris £50, to my oncle Wemyes £10, to oncle Anton £10, to my oncle John Ussher £20, to my oncle William Ussher £10, to my oncle Artar Ussher £10, to oncle Adam Ussher £10, to Capt. Morris £10, to my cosen Donalan £10, to Docter Mollainex £10. To Maby Ussher my jewel and all my other little things, and to Wille Usser my salt celers and castors.

" Eliz. Wemyes, May y<sup>e</sup> 30, 1688.

- "I leve my oncle Christefor Ussher my Exector. y<sup>s</sup> is my last will befor in a silver box behind my books in my closet." Her father left her £2,000.
- Elizabeth Wemyss, d. unmd., 19th July, aged 21, and was buried "in Squire Usher's vault" at St. Audoen's, July 21st, 1688.
- Judith Wemyss [? Mary], d. young ; her father in his will left her £1,500.

V. Elizabeth Ussher, born 1637, d. unmd. 1675.

- Sir Wm. Ussher, junior, by Ursula St. Barbe, his second wife, had issue :
  - VI. John Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's, 10th March, 164g, entered T.C.D. in 1661 in his sixteenth year, B.A. 1665, LL.D., barrister-at-law, of whom see in Chap. XIII.
  - VII. William Ussher, 3rd son of Sir Wm. Ussher, bap. 25th Nov., 1647, at St. Audoen's, entered T.C.D., 1665, died unmd., 1686, buried at St. Michan's, March, 1686.

In List of "Prot. Officers lately in the Army in Ireland, and now in or

about London out of employment. Officers in the Royal Regt. of Foot Guards, 22nd Mar., 1688.—Lieut. Wm. Usher, etc."; also stated to have been an Ensign, 1688, in the Duke of Ormond's disbanded Guards. (Brit. Mus. Add. MS. 28,938). The writer of these lists may not have known of Wm. Ussher's death.

VIII. Rev. Adam Ussher, Archdeacon of Clonfert, born 1650 in Dublin, educated with his brother William by Mr. Cary. entered T.C.D., 1665 [B.A. 1669], M.A. 1672, Aest. On 15th Dec., 1675, he was presented by the Crown to the Vicarage and Rectory of Kilmore, Dio. Meath. He was Preb<sup>3.</sup> of Stagonill, 8th Feb., 1678. On 2nd July, 1680, he was presented to the Rectory of Clontarf, and on 31st July, 1680, the Impropriation of Clontarf was granted to him. He was instituted to Ardstraw Rectory, 19th Augt., 1680. On 1st April, 1686, License of the Cure of the Parish of Killester was granted him. He resided latterly in Channell Row, Dublin, was made Archdeacon of Clonfert, 8th June, 1702, and a member of the Irish Convocation, as Archdn., Jany., 1704. He was buried in St. Paul's, Dublin. "May. 26, 1713, buried Mr. Adam Ussher " (St. Paul's Register). A grant admon. of his goods intest. was made to Rev. John Farguhar and John Hogg of Moneymore, principal creditors, 16th March, 1715, and a Commission granted Rev. John Farquhar of Capleshawe, Co Monaghan, and John Hogg, of Moneymore, in Co. Londonderry, creditors of Adam Usher, late of Channell Row, near the City of Dublin, Clk., intest. df't., directed to Rev. Christophilus Jenny, D.D., Thos. and Hugh McLernon, gts. 22nd Nov., 1715.

Adam Ussher m. about 1676, Rebecca, dr. of Gilbert Wye, of the Co. Antrim, Steward or Agent of the Estates of the Earl of Donegal, 1661, and subsequently of Fahan, Co. Derry, and sister of Rev. Mossom Wye. The Derry will of Joan, 2nd wife of Gilbert Wye, Esq., of Fahan, dated March, 1687, nuncupative, her will (w<sup>ch</sup> in this time of calamity was taken away by the enemy and lost)—to Gilbert Wye,  $\pounds 1$ ; to Saml. Newcomen  $\frac{1}{2}$  a balliboe of

land in the q<sup>r.</sup> of Caromullan, and to his dr. Susan. Her late husband Philip Hill, w. pr., 1690. There was one Robert Wye, mentioned in the list of "Adventurers."

The Rev. Mossom Wye, D.D., son of Gilbert Wye, born 1662 in Co. Antrim, entered T.C.D. 16th Nov., 1677, Sch. 1680, B.A. 1682, B.D. 1696, D.D. 1700, Title to Vicarage of Tallonstown 23rd May, 1685, Kilsaran, 6th July, 1689, named for Co. Louth in Subsidy Act, 1698. Proctor for Chapter of Raphoe Dio. Jan., 1704, Rector of St. Peter's, Drogheda 1719, buried at Dunleer 3rd Jan., 1726. He m. Miss Piers and had a son, Rev. Chas. Wye, born at Dunleer 1694, w. p. Cork 1784; who had a son Francis Wye, and 2 drs., Mary, wife of . . . Quin, and Elizth. his exor. Chas. Wye was Rector of Kilmeen and Ballymoney, Co. Cork.

From a Chancery Bill, 1719, it appears that the Dean and Chap. of Christ Church, Dublin, being owners in fee, of Ballymolgan, Tipperstown, etc., and of Simmons court with the old ruinous Castle and gatehouse, etc., did on 29th Sept. 1717, demise them to Rev. Mossom Wye, D.D., for 21 years, being 426a. 2r. 30p., at £105 p. ann. They were assigned to the suppliant, Christopher Ussher by Mossom Wye and Elizabeth Wybrants.

Mrs. Adam Ussher was buried in the 3rd vault on the left of the Chancel of St. Michan's 10th Aug., 1694.

Rev. Adam Ussher had issue by her :

- 1. Ann Uscher, bap. 24th Feb., 1678, St. Michan's, buried 6th May, 1752, in the Chancel of St. Audoen's.
- 11. William Ussher, born Dublin, bap. 12th May, 1680, entered T.C.D. 1697, aged 16, educated by Mr. Davy, B.A. 1702, Rector of Derrynoose, Dio. of Armagh, 17th Feb., 1743, and Archdeacon of Clonfert; he died 1744, and was buried in St. Audoen's 18th Jan., 1744, w. pr. 10th July same year. He was twice married—first to Mary, dr. of Rev. Christophilus Jenney, D.D., by whom he had issue; secondly on 20th Oct., 1733, to Anne, dr. of Rev. Henry Jenney, Archdeacon of Dromore, first cousin to his first wife.

In his will, Archdeacon Ussher leaves £20 to his wife Anne Ussher, *als* Jenny, to buy mourning; to his sons Wm., Christophilus, Adam, and Arthur,

£10 each to buy mourning. "All my plate and furniture to my brothers Fred. and Chas. in trust for the use of my wife, and after her death to my sons. My wife £10 per ann., which I have for my dr. Mary's life out of the estate of Hercules Langford Rowley, Esq., and after my wife's decease to one of my sons, as she appoints, and also what I am entitled to for my improvements on the estate of Madden, etc., I give to my sons." Wife and brothers exors.

His 2nd wife, Anne Ussher, made her will 30th May, 1743; it was pr. 3rd July, 1752, by Rev. Fred., Adam and Chas. Ussher, surviving exors. In it she says that by a deed of settlement at her marriage she had power to settle  $\pounds1,000$  and also  $\pounds500$  mentioned. She leaves to her god-daughter, Mary Jenny Ussher,  $\pounds600$ —to Christophilus Ussher  $\pounds200$ , son of Archd. Ussher—to Wm., Adam and Arthur Ussher  $\pounds200$  to be equally divided—to the 4 sons of Archdeacon Ussher  $\pounds500$ . Whereas  $\pounds1,500$  aforesd. was secured on lands and tenemts. in and about Lurgan in Co. Armagh which may decrease in value, Mary Jenny Ussher is to receive in full first. Later codicil, to Lady Molesworth to buy mourning, and the snuff box L<sup>d</sup>. Molesworth gave me, and to Miss Harriott Molesworth, etc.

Account of the Family of Jenney.—Jenney of Bredfield, Co. Suffolk, was from Guisnes, near Calais, and came with Wm. I. to Haverland in Norfolk. The name of this branch was changed from Gyney to Jenney. Sir Wm. Jenney, Knt., of Knodishall, Judge K.B., 1477. Sir Robt. Jenney, Knt., of Knodishall, m. 1640, Elizth. Offley. Traditionally when Capt. Barret of Fleetwood's Horse got Clanconnell (Donagheloney and Tullylish) Co. Down, by buying up in addition to his own grant, all his troopers' debentures, for beer and horses, a Cornet Jenney alone held out and retained the townlands of Cornrainy and Gortmoira. On Aug. 12th, 1673, Elizabeth, dr. of Mr. Walter Jenney and Joan his wife, wasbapt. at St. Audoen's, Dublin. He was perhaps a brother of Rev. Henry Jenney, who signed as Prebendary of Mullaghbrack in 1666, and was probably father of—

I. Rev. Christophilus Jenney, M.A., D.D., born about 1650, subscribed Declaration of Conformity, as Rector of Mullaghbrack and Kilcluna, Augt., 1674, attainted, 1688; resigned, 1690, "in order to go abroad, partly on his own, and partly on public affairs, and 9th Feb., 1690, had a discharge from his cure, and a testimonial of his good behaviour. He had been active

at the defence of Derry." In 1695 the Crown did by Lett. Pat., Aug. 7th, 1695, appoint him to be Rector of the College Livings of Arboe and Ardtrea, and Archdeacon of Ossory on the promotion of Edward Walkington to the See of Down and Connor, Jenney being then chaplain to the Lord Deputy In 1698 he is mentioned in the Subsidy Act. His Capel. two Tyrone livings he held till his death in March, 1724. But he resigned the Archdeaconry of Ossory in 1700, having exchanged it with John Hinton for the Prebend of Rathmichael in St. Patrick's, Dublin, which he held till 1713. In 1702, Wm. King, Bp. of Derry, visited the Diocese of Armagh by Commission from Primate Boyle, and reported that Dr. Jenney had gone to England and left only a Deacon in charge; he was thereupon suspended until he went to reside in Ardtrea. Rev. C. Jenney m. . . . and had issue : 1. William Jenney, born 1688, B.A., T.C.D., 1709. 11. Joshua Jenney, Not. Pub. Fac., 1717. 111. Mary Jenney m. as first wife Archdeacon Wm. Ussher, senr., Rector of Derrynoose. II. Rev. Henry Jenny or Jenney, younger son of Rev. Henry Jenny, Senr., born about 1652, Sch. T.C.D., 1673; B.A., 1676; M.A., 1682; B.D. and D.D., 1701; Vicar of Seagoe, 1653; Chaplain to the Archbishop of Dublin; attainted by Jac. II., 1689; collated to Mullaghbrack, Oct., 1690; collated Rectory of Shankill (Lurgan) and Prebend of Dromara, 9th Augt., 1687; Rector of Donagheloney and Tullylish, 1701-41, and Archdeacon of Dromore, m. . . . and had: I. Rev. Henry Jenney, born at Lisburn, 1681, Sch. T.C.D., 1699; B.A., 1702; M.A., 1705; B.D. and D.D., 1718; Prebendary of Mullaghbrack, Archdeacon of Armagh, Rector of Armagh, 1738, died 1753, and there is a monument to him in Armagh Cathl., m. Mary Dawson, who d. 1769, and had issue: 1. Rev. Henry Jenney, B.A., 1748, curate of Armagh, m. and had a son. Henry. 2. Robert. 3. Edmond, of Liverpool, m. Ann . . . and d. 1769. 4. Marmaduke m. Mary . . . and d. 1785. 5. Francis. 11. Christophilus Jenney of Dublin, born 1693, d. 1741, m 1729, Elizabeth, dr. and heiress of Wm. Brabazon of The Park, Co. Louth, and had issue:\* 1. Henry. 2. Brabazon.

<sup>•</sup> Of these: 1. Henry Jenney of Dublin, m. Catherine Clarges of Dublin. He became after 1763 Capt. of the 5th Royal Irish Dragoons. His w. pr., 1792, names his children Anne and Gould, his property passed to his brothers. 2. Brabazon Jenney, Lieut. 5th Dragoons, who assumed the name of Brabazon, m. 1777, Margaret Lynch. He had 3 drs. of whom one m. James Barton, and one son, Henry Jenney Brabazon of Willville, Co. Louth. 3. Christophilus, born 1739, ent. T.C.D., 1756. 4. Elizabeth m. 1758, John Clinch. 5. Annem. 1763, Anthony Garstin of Braganstown, Co. Louth. [Information received from J. R. Garstin, F.S.A.]

3. Christophilus. 4. Elizabeth 5. Ann. 111. Rev. Robert Jenney, B.A., T.C.D., 1709, Missionary of the S. P. G. at Hempstead in Long Island, and from 1742 to 1762 at Philadelphia, U.S.A. IV. Elizabeth m. 23rd Sept., 1704, Mr. George Lambert. V. Elinor m. 4th March, 1701, Dr. John Barton, and had issue: John, Elinor, James, Richd., Benjn., Nathl., Henry, a dr. m. first Mr. Merrifield, secondly, Archdeacon Wm. Ussher, junr., Preb<sup>3</sup> of St. Audoen's. VI. Jane, m. 9th Dec., 1713, Francis Sadler. VII. Ann m. as 2nd wife, Archdeacon Wm. Ussher, senr., and died s.p. Archdeacon Jenney died at his house at Harrimount, Co. Down, aged 90, 20th Nov., 1742.

People of this name and of the middle class still live in Lurgan, and there is also a family of Jenneys near Bungay in Norfolk.

[For many of these items the writer is indebted to Bishop Reeves, and the Rev. Abraham Dawson of Seagoe.]

Archdeacon William Ussher, by Mary Jenney, his first wife, had issue:

- Christophilus Ussher, decd. between 1760-63. Lady Molesworth's will mentions him as dead. Was he the same as Ensign Christopher Ussher, promoted Lieut. in 3rd Comp<sup>7</sup>. Otway's Regt., Dec., 1745 ?
- 2. Rev. Wm. Ussher, born 1718, in the Co. Armagh, educated by Rev. Dr. Skelton, entered T.C.D., 1735; B.A., 1740; M.A. 1743; ordained Deacon about 1741; ordained priest 12th April, 1742, at St. John's Church, Dublin, by the Bishop of Ferns and Leighlin; appointed to the parish of Kilteel and Rathmore, 15th Jan., 1745; Preb<sup>3.</sup> of Kilmactalway and Rector of Clondalkin 13th Dec., 1748; Archdeacon of Glendalough, 1752, which he resigned; Rector of Carancastle, Beleston and Derrykeigham in Co. Antrim; Preb<sup>y.</sup> of St. Audoen's, Dublin, 1763 ; m. Mrs. Merrifield, his cousin, dr. of Dr. J. Barton of Lisburn, who died at Leinster St., Dublin, s.p., and was buried in St. Audoen's, 10th March, 1770. He died 1773. His prerog. will dated 6th Feb., 1773, pr. 19th April, 1774, leaves to his sisterin-law, Elinor Barton, his estate in the Co. Fermanagh, also the interests of the lands of Lisnatrunck, the mills

of Lisburn and several other lands and tenements in or about Lisburn, which I hold under Lord Hertford, and which I got by my wife, and after her to my nephew, John Barton; to the charity boys of St. Audoen's £100 to be put to interest for them by the minister and churchwardens of sd. Church; to the poor widows of my 3 churches in the Co. Artrim, Carancastle, Beleston and Derrykeigham £10 each; to my nephew, Lord Molesworth, my books and plate (except those with the Molesworth crest) which belong to his sisters as the chattels of their mother, also to him £600; to my goason, Wm. Ponsonby, 2nd son to my niece, Louisa Ponsonby, £1,000, and if he die, to his brother Richard ; to my nieces, Harriette and Elizabeth Molesworth, to be residuary legatees and my house in Clare Str.; to be buried in the family vault in St. Audoen's. Grant admon. to Sir Annesly Stewart, Bart., Exor.

- Rev. Adam Ussher, born at Armagh 1730, educated by Dr. Skelton, entered T.C.D. 1737, B.A. 1741, ordained Deacon on Sunday 25th Sept. at St. Patrick's, by the Archbp. of Dublin, 1743, Curate of Clontarf, died Sunday, 8th Sept., 1745, of fever and pleurisy, and was buried in St Audoen's, 10th Sept., 1745.
- Arthur Ussher, Master and Commander in the Royal Navy, 17th Jan., 1757, perished in the fire with his sister, 6th May, 1763.
  - Mary Jenney Ussher, m. as his second wife, 7th Feb., 1744, Richard, third Lord Viscount Molesworth, and was burnt to death 6th May, 1763. The following extract from a letter dated London, 7th May, 1763, is to be found in Faulkner's *Dublin Journal* for that week: "It is with the utmost horror that I relate to you the dismal catastrophe which befel poor Lady Molesworth and her family yesterday morning about 5 o'clock, when a fire suddenly broke forth in her house by the carelessness of a servt. in the nursery, in which she herself, two of her daughters, her brother,

who was Capt. of a Man-of-War, the children's governess, and two other maid servants perished. The other three daughters are indeed not consumed, but scarce in a condition preferable, the eldest jumping out of a 2nd floor window was caught upon the iron palisades, which tore her thigh so miserably that the surgeons were obliged to cut it off directly four inches above the knee; another has her thigh bone broken close to the hip; a third bruised from head to foot, and both much scorched. . . . List of saved: Lord Molesworth, fortunately at school; Miss Harriet, thigh cut off and the other leg much torn with spikes; Miss Louisa, thigh broken near the hip, but set and hopes of cure without amputation, head cut but not fractured; Mr. and Mrs. Molesworth; Miss Betty much bruised and scorched. Perished : Lady Molesworth, Miss Melesina, Miss Molly, Capt. Ussher, Mrs. Morelle, governess to the children; Mrs. Patterson, Lady Molesworth's woman."

- Lady Molesworth's will was pr. 29th Nov., 1763. She had issue by Lord Molesworth :
  - Hon. Mary Molesworth, born prematurely, 24th Sept., 1744, d. young.
  - (2) Hon. Henrietta Molesworth, born July, 1745, m. 10th Oct., 1774, Right Hon. John Staples, of Lissan, Co. Derry, and had issue, of whom see below.
  - (3) Hon. Melesina Molesworth, born 27th Dec., 1746, burnt in the fire 6th May, 1763.
  - (4) Hon. Mary Molesworth, born 30th Nov., 1747, perished in the fire, 6th May, 1763.
  - (5) Hon. Richard Nassau, 4th Lord Molesworth, born 4th Nov., 1748, d.s.p. 23rd June, 1793.
  - (6) Hon. Louise Molesworth, born 23rd Oct., 1749, m. 1st, Wm. Brabazon Ponsonby, Lord Ponsonby of Imokilly 26th Dec., 1769, and had issue:

- John, 2nd Lord Ponsonby, and others. Shem. 2ndly, Wm., 4th Earl FitzWilliam, and d.s.p. ist Sept., 1824.
- (7) Hon. Elizabeth Molesworth, born 17th Sept., 1751, m. James Stewart of Killymoon, Co. Derry.
- (8) Hon. Charlotte Molesworth, born 2nd Oct., 1755, in Henrietta St., Dublin.

Richard, third Lord Viscount Molesworth, Field Marshal in the British Army, Commander-in-Chief in Ireland, Aide-de-Camp to the great Duke of Marlborough, whose life he saved at Blenheim, d. 1758.

Hon. Henrietta Molesworth, the second dr., who m. the Right Hon. John Staples of Lissan, M.P. Co. Antrim, had issue a second son, the Rev. John Molesworth Staples, who m. Ann, second dr. of Dr. Nathl. Alexander, Lord Bishop of Meath, and had issue, Sir Nathaniel A. Staples, Bart., of Lissan, Co. Tyrone, who by his wife Elizabeth, only dr. of Capt. James Head, had issue with others, Cecilia Staples m. Frederick Greer of Tullylagan, Co. Tyrone (eldest son of the late Thomas Greer of Tullylagan, and Wilhelmina, 5th dr. of Arthur Usshel of Camphire, Co. Waterford) and has issue Thomas Greer, (cf. Chap. XVI.)

Henrietta, wife of the Right Hon. John Staples, had issue also Grace Louisa Staples, who m. in 1807 James Butler, 19th Earl and 1st Marquis of Ormonde, and was mother of the late Marquis of Ormonde, of Lord James Wandesford Butler, and of the Countess of Clermont, and grandmother of the present Marquis of Ormonde.

- 111. Rebecca Ussher, third child of Archdeacon Adam Ussher, bap. St. Michan's, Dublin, 18th April, 1682, m. Rev. Alexander Knox, Rector of Ramelton, Co.Donegal (son of Wm. Knox of Ashmoyne, Co. Donegal, who died 1710) and had issue:
  - 1. William Knox.
  - Rebecca Knox. The will of Rebecca Knox, Spinster, of Dublin, was pr. at Raphoe, 1766. She leaves her brs.-in-law, Rev. Bernard Ward and Rev. Dr. John Lamy, the lease of Ashmoyne; leaves legacies to her brother Wm. Knox, her sister Ann Lamy, her nephews Chas. and Ralph Ward and John Lamy, her niece

Rebecca Lamy, now wife of George Young, Esq., and Ann Lamy, now wife of Chas. Nisbitt, Esq., her niecc Ann Whaley and her brother Arthur Ward, and her uncle Chas Ussher. Witnesses, Wm. and Chas. Ussher.

- Barbara Knox m. Rev. Bernard Ward, and had issue: Chas. Ward, Rev. Ralph Ward, Arthur Ward, Ann Ward, m.... Whaley.
- 4. Ann Knox m. Rev. Dr. John Lamy, and had issue: John Lamy, Rebecca Lamy, wife of Geo. Young, Ann Lamy, wife of Chas. Nisbitt.
- 5. Adam Knox. 6. John Knox. 7. Oliver Knox.
- IV. Ursula Ussher, born about 1684, m. Nathl. Smith, and had issue, Arabella, John and Rev. Wm. Smith.
- v. John Ussher, bap. St. Michan's, Dublin, 18th Sept., 1686, buried same, 11th May, 1688.
- vi. Elizabeth Ussher, born about 1687.
- vii. Rev. Frederick Ussher, bap. St. Michan's, 23rd Nov., 1680; educated in Dublin by Dr. Jones; entered T.C.D., 1705; B.A. 1709. He was presented to the Rectory of Clontarf, 8th June, 1713, and held it for 53 years. He was also Rector of Castletown Arra, Dio. Killaloe, and died 14th Nov., 1766. He m. Martha Martyr Cope, dr. of Richard Cope and his wife Elizth. Whaley, which Richard was son and heir of Walter Cope of Drumsally, Co. Armagh, by Martha, 5th dr. of the first Lord Blayney. By her he had issue:
  - 1. Thomas Ussher, bap. St. Ann's, Dublin, 25th Aug., 1730, died voung, and was buried in Clontarf Churchyard.
  - 2. Richard Ussher, died young, buried same place.
  - 3. William Ussher, died young, buried same place.

The prerog. will of Rev. Fred. Ussher, D.D., Rector of Clentarf, and Rector and Vicar of the Union of Castletown Arrha, Co. Tipperary, was proved Dec., 1766, fifteen days after his death; in it he wills to be buried with his children, leaves all to his wife, whom he appoints exor., with his brother Chas.

to assist her ; dated 22nd Dec., 1760; a codicil 5th Nov., 1766. Witnesses, John Ussher, Michael Swift.

The inscription on his tombstone at Clontarf reads : "Here lieth the body of the Rev. Fredk. Ussher, who succeeded his father, the Rev. Archdeacon Adam Ussher, in the Rectory of Clontarf where he remained 53 years much esteemed, whose excellent character in the tender name of Husband, Father, and Friend, was worthy of praise. He died 4th of Nov., 1766, aged 76 years, and here also lieth 3 of his sons, Thomas, Richard, and William."

Mrs. Martha Ussher died in 1774; in her will she mentions that she is seized in her own right as wife of Fredk. Ussher, of  $\frac{1}{3}$  pt. of Tuliuane and Cloghan, "which I leave for my nephew Thos. Tucker of Lagall, Co. Meath." "My nephew Grange" is mentioned, etc., dated 12th June, 1774. Witnesses, John Ussher, Robt. Swift.

> VIII. Capt. Adam Ussher, son of Archdeacon Adam Ussher, bap. St. Michan's, 28th March, 1691; Ensign on half-pay of Wm. Lord Mountjoy's Regt. of Foot in Ireland, 1715. His prerog. will dated 24th July, 1755, in which Adam Ussher, gent., of Dublin, leaves to his wife Jane all his fortune, etc., and makes her executrix, pr. 31st Dec., 1755. (A Capt. Ussher was buried in St. Peter's, Dublin, 8th Feb., 1754.)

Adam Ussher m. Jane Tichborne, great granddaughter of Sir Henry Tichborne, of Bewley, near Drogheda, who d.s.p. 1760. The will of Jane Ussher of Dublin, widow of Adam Ussher, Esq., pr. 1760, desiring, "to be buried near my late dear husband in St. Kevin's Church. To my niece Mary Jenney, Lady Viscountess Molesworth, £1,000, and after her death to four of her drs., and if they die, to the second dr. Harriet; to the minister and wardens of St. Anne's £100 for apprenticing one poor Protestant boy; to the minister and wardens of St. Peter's £100 for same purpose; £6 to St. Bridget's for my mother Jane Tichborne, decd.; to Mrs. Margt. Wallis, dr. of Rev. Leslie Wallis, £200 and books; to Mrs. Jane Leslie, dr. to the Rev. Matthew Leslie, £50; to my niece Arabella Smith, now of Dublin, £25; to my niece Rebecca Knox, now of sd. city, £25; to my nephew Christophilus Ussher, a gold watch; to my nephew Arthur Ussher, my dear husband's diamond ring which he gave me; to Mrs. Anne Whittingham (otherwise Walmsley) wife to Counsellor Walmsley, my

brilliant diamond ring, as it belonged to my late dear mother, Mrs. Jane Tichborne, her gold watch and also 2 little pictures of my father and mother when they were young, that hang over the glasses in my dining room. I bequeath my own picture with that of my late dear husband (now in my possession) to my dear niece, Lady Molesworth, and also that of Lord Molesworth which I have, to her dr. Harriet. The miniature picture which I have of the old Lord Loftus,\* my great grandfather, to Chas., Earl of Drogheda and his heirs; and all others my family pictures (especially the miniature one of Sir Henry Tichborne,† my grt. grandfather) to my cousin Sophie Tipping otherwise Aston, dr. to Wm. Aston, Esq., decd., and now wife of Thos. Tipping, Esq. To my aunt, Mrs. Sarah Steele, my interest in the house in Grafton St.

<sup>•</sup> Chas. Ld. Moore, m. Jane, only dr. and heir of Arthur Loftus, Visct. Ely, and left a dr. Anne, and died 1714.

† Sir Henry Tichborne was 4th son of Sir Benjn. Tichborne, of Tichborne, Bt., and his wife Amphilly Weston. He was a Col. and Governor of Droghda 1641, during the siege; was Field Marshal of Ireland and d. 1667. In his will he desires "to be buried at 10 in the night-time, without sound of Trumpett, beat of drum or volley shott; £70 to the poor of Dublin; £100 to repair St. Peter's, Dublin; £50 to the poor of Drogheda; to his younger sons his 49 arrears." He had issue by his wife Jane, dr. of Sir Robt. Newcomen: 1. Benjn., d.s.p. 2. Sir Wm. Tichborne, Knt., of Bewley. 3. Richard, Major, d. unmd. 4. Henry, d.s.p. 5. Samuel, d.s.p. 6. Dorcas, m. Wm. Toxteth of Drogheda. 7. Amphilly, d. 13th March, buried Finglas, 15th March, 1682, wife of Major Richard Broughton. 8. Elizabeth, m. Roger West of Ballydougan, Co. Down. Of these, Sir Wm. Tichborne, by his wife Jane, dr. and co-heir of John Bysse, Chief Baron Exch.: (1) Margaret, wife of Col. Stephen Stanley. (2) Henry, Lord Tichborne and Ferrard, m. Arabella . . . and had issue: [1] Henry, m. Mary Fowke and had a dr. Elizth. [2] William, m. C. A. Molesworth, and had 2 drs., Arabella and Wilhelmina. [3] Salusbury m. Wm. Asten and had Tichborne and Sophia. (3) Benjn., killed at Hochstadt in 1704, m. Eliz. Gibbs and had Wm., Capt. R.N. d. unmd. Judith m. Sir Rt. Sutton, and two other drs. (4) John, Col. and Govr. of Athlone, alive in 1730, probably father of Mrs. Adam Ussher. (5) Bysse, Capt., killed at Gibraltar, 1704, w. dat. 23rd May, 1700.

Christojher Bisse, arm. of a Somersetshire family. 2nd remembrancer Excheq. Hib. who d. 26th Nov., 1619, m. 1st, Margaret Henshaw, bur. 31st Oct., 1597, s.p. He m. 2ndly, Margt., dr. of John Forster, Alderman of Dublin, who d. 15th March, 1640, and was bur. St. Audon's. By her he had issue: 1. Elizabeth. 2. Elenor, m. Wm. Ball of Ballygall, Co. Dublin, d. 1649. 3. Dorothy, m. Michael, s. & h. of Michael Homon of "ayrick, Co. Rosc., gt. 4. Jane. 5. Anna. 6. Maria, m. Stephen Usher, mercht. 7. John isse, Recorder of Dublin and Lord Chief Barcn, d. 28th Jan., 1680, m. Margt., dr. of "rancis Edgeworth, late Clk. Hanaper, wid. of John King, Clk. of Hanaper, and had 21 children, of whom there survived (1) Jane, d. 2nd July. 1637, m. Sir Wm. Tichborne. 2) Elizabeth. d. 3rd July, 1662. (3) Judith, m. 1654, Robt. Lord Molesworth. (4) Margt. d. 31st Aug. S. Rev. Robert Bisse, Rector of Drogheda, d. 29th Aug., 1648, m. . . . and had issue, Ann, m. Barth. s. & h. of Barnwall of Bremore, who d. 1st Jan., 1608, leaving issue, Jane and Maria. There was also a Robt. Bisse, d. Oct. 9th, 1594, m. Margt. Challoner and had Margt., d. Aug. 28th, 1599, wife of Wm. Robinson.

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in which I now live, and the furniture, and on her death to Chas. Usher. To Anne, dr. of Quartermaster Wm. Cuthbert, now of the 2nd Horse £100, left to me by Mrs. Anne Brady, his aunt. My dear brother Chas. Usher, Esq., of Dublin, exor. 20 June, 1759."

- IX. Arthur Ussher, bap. 4th Aug., 1692, St. Michan's, buried in same 4th Feb., 1693.
- x. Charles Ussher, born in Dublin, bap. 6th Feb., 1693, St. Michan's, educated at Raphoe, entered T.C.D. in 1709;
  B.A., 1715; LL.D. (*honoris causa*), 1747, barrister-at-law,
  M.P. for the borough of Blessington, 1765 to 1770. He seems to have married, as on 28th Nov., 1731:
  - 1. Catherine Ussher, dr. of Chas. and Mary Ussher, was bap. in St. Audoen's.
  - 2. Barbara Ussher, dr. of Chas. and Mary Ussher, was bap in St. Audoen's.

These children must have died young, and their mother died before her husband. He died in Capel Street, Dub., and was buried in St. Audoen's, 2nd Jan., 1770. In his prerog. will he leaves to his grandniece, the Hon. Harriet Molesworth, £1,500; to his grandniece, Hon. Lousia Molesworth, £1,500; to his grandniece, Hon. Elizabeth Molesworth, £2,500; to his grandniece, Rebecca Lamy, now wife of Geo. Young, £500; to his grandniece, Ann Lamy, now wife of Chas. Nisbitt, £1,000; to his grandniece, Ann Lamy, now wife of Chas. Nisbitt, £1,000; to his grandnephew and godson, Chas. Ward, the lease of the lands of Corick and Gallen in the manor of Newtonstewart, Co. Tyrone; to his grandnephew, Rev. Ralph Ward, the lease of Ballybeg and Coole, Co. Tyrone; to his grandnephew, John Lamy, the lease in Rathmullan; to his nephew, Wm. Knox, £50; to the p'sh of St. Mary, £20; to his nephew, the Rev. Wm. Ussher, his plate. He and the Rev. R. Ward to be Exors. 21st Sept., 1769."

- XI. John Ussher, born between 1693 and 1696, m. Sarah Murphy, of whom see Chap. XIV.
- IX. Arthur Ussher, born about 1651, gent., of Ramelton, Co. Donegal, died 1732, bur'd in Ramelton Church; in his will pr. at Raphoe, he leaves to the Rev. Fred. Usher, son to the Rev.

Adam Usher, decd., £100; to Cornet Adam Usher, br. to Rev. Fred. Usher, and son to Adam Usher, decd., £100; to Chas. Usher, br. to Frederic and Adam, and son to Adam, decd., £100; to Ursula Usher, sister to Fred. Usher, and dr. to Adam, decd., £50; to Rebecca Knox of Rathmelton (£100), eldest dr. of Rev. Alex. Knox, of Rathmelton; to Barbara, 2nd dr. of Rev. A. Knox, £200; £100 to Wm. Usher, son to Archdeacon Usher, dated 1722. Codicil.—Nephew Chas. Usher, £10, 17th Oct., 1730. "Having already p<sup>d</sup> to Cornet Adam Usher, £100, I revoke the legacy to him and Ursula, 1728."

- X. Henry Ussher, born about 1653, buried 18th Feb., 1658, in St. Audoen's.
- XI. Mary Ussher m. Henry Cowley or Colley, of Castle Carbery, and afterwards of Dangan, in 1674, and had issue : Richard Colley, who took the name Wesley on inheriting the property of his cousin, Garret Wesley, was created Lord Mornington, and m. Elizabeth, dr. of John Sale, LL.D., Registrar Dab. Dio., by whom he had issue :
  - 1. Garret Wesley, 1st Earl of Mornington, the famous musical composer, who m. Anne, eldest dr. of Arthur Lord Dungannon, and had issue :
    - (1) Richard, bap. St. Andrew's, Dub., Marquis Wellesley, and 2nd Earl of Mornington.
    - (2) William, bap. St. Andrew's, Dub., Baron Maryborough, and 3rd Earl of Mornington.
    - (3) Arthur Wellesley, bap. at St. Peter's, Dublin, first Duke of Wellington, Field Marshal, Commander-in-Chief of the Forces, Prime Minister of Great Britain, grandfather to Henry, 3rd Duke of Wellington.
    - (4) Henry, Lord Cowley.
    - (5) Very Rev. Gerald Valerian Wellesley, D.D., Dean of Windsor.
  - 2. Elizabeth, dr. of Richd., 1st Lord Mornington, m. Chichester

Fortescue, Esq., great grandfather of the Earl of Carlingford.

Elizabeth Crosby, granddaughter of Garret, Earl of Mornington, m. Clotworthy Rowley, and their dr. Francis m. Hon. C. Taylour, 1st Baron Langford, from whom the 4th Lord Langford is directly descended.

XII. Francis Ussher of Molesworth Street, Dub., buried in St. Audoen's, 11th Dec., 1738.

## CHAPTER XIII.

THE USSHERS OF MOUNT USSHER AND EASTWELL.

Pedigree of the Descendants of John Usher, Master of Chancery.

JOHN USSHER, Master of Chancery, born 1646, d. 1732, m. Alice Molyneux, and had issue:

- I. SYLVESTER USSHER, d. unmd., 1672.
- II. JOHN USSHEB, d.y.
- III. WILLIAM USSHER, d. 1684.
- VI. SAMUEL USSHER, d. 1687.
- V. CHRISTOPHER USSHER, of Mt. Ussher, born about 1690, d. 1763, m. 1717, Elizabeth Chetwode, and had issue :
  - 1. John Ussher, his heir, born 1718, M.P. for Inistiogue, d.s p , 1796.
  - 11. Katherine Ussher, born 1719, d. in France.
  - 111. Martha Ussher, born 1720, m. Rev. Robert Edgworth of Firmount, Co. Longford, and had issue:
    - 1. Essex Edgworth Edgworth.
    - 2. Robert Edgworth.
    - 3. Ussher Edgworth, Solicitor, Dublin, d. unmd., 1809.
    - 4. A dr. m. . . . Bowyer.
    - 5. The Abbe Henry Essex Edgworth, Confessor to Louis XVI.
  - Jane Ussher, born 1724, m. George Rowan of Drumbeg, Co. Kerry, and d. 1771.

- v. Alice Ussher, d. unmd.
- vI. William Ussher, born 1731, d. 1774, Doctor of Physic at Athy, m. Elizabeth . . . and had issue:
  - 1. Elizabeth Ussher m. Richard Davis, gt.
  - 2. Margaret Ussher.
- vII. Christopher Ussher, Capt. R.N., born 1732, d. ab<sup>t.</sup> 1772, m. Margaret Bailie, and had issue :
  - 1. Isabella Ussher, born 1768.
  - 2. Elizabeth Ussher m. John Rohan.
  - 3. Jane Ussher.
  - 4. Sarah Ussher.
  - 5. Christopher Ussher of Eastwell, born 1770, m. in 1797, Ellis Browne, and had issue:
    - (1) John Ussher of Eastwell, m. his first cousin, Mary Ussher, and had issue :
      - Christopher Ussher of Eastwell, born 1832, d. 1884, m. Olivia Rutledge, and had issue:
        - 1. Agnes Ussher.
        - 2. Olivia Ellis Ussher.
        - 3. Wm. Arland Ussher.
        - 4. Christopher Ussher, d.y.
        - 5. Alison Ussher.
        - 6. Henry Ussher.
      - [2] John Ussher, born ab<sup>t.</sup> 1833, d. 1878, m. Isabella Dillon, and had issue:
        - 1. Sarah Salisbury Ussher.
        - 2. Mary Ellis Ussher.
        - 3. John St. George Ussher
        - 4. William Gerald Ussher.
        - 5. Violet Ethel Ussher.
        - 6. Mabel Sophia Ussher.
      - [3] Edmund Augustus William Ussher, d.y.
      - [4] William Augustus Edmund Ussher, of the Geological Survey of England and Wales.

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- [5] Mary Ussher m. Dr. S. Johnston.
- [6] Ellis Belinda Ussher, d. unmd.
- (2) Rev. Christopher Ussher m. Elizabeth Brush, and had issue:
  - Arland Ussher. [2] Caroline Ussher. [3] Ada Ussher. [4] Christopher James Ussher.
- (3) William Ussher, d.s.p., 1880.
- 6. John Ussher m. Mary Street of Canada, and had issue :
  - (1) Samuel Ussher m. Harriet Colclough, and had issue:
    - [1] John Ussher, killed in Riel's Rebellion ; and others.
  - (2) Edgworth Ussher m. Sarah Thompson, and left issue.
  - (3) John Ussher m....
  - (4) Margaret Ussher m. Thanet Thompson, and had issue : [1] John. [2] Mary. [3] James. [4] George.
    - [5] Marguret. [6] Georgina. [7] Francis.
  - (5) Harriet Ussher m. George Mitchell, and had issue :
    - [1] Mary. [2] Louisa. [3] Emily. [4] Jessie.
  - (6) Mary Ussher m. her cousin, John Ussher of Eastwell.
- VI. REV. SAMUEL USSHER, born 1695, d. 1771, Rector of Dunganstown, m. Frances Walsh, and had issue:
  - I. William Ussher, Capt. R.N., lost at sea off Scilly.
  - Thomas Ussher, born 1739, Capt. 16th Regt., d. 1788, m. Rebecca Walsh, who d.s.p. 1790.
  - 111. John Ussher, gent., Co. Wicklow, born 1740, d. 1770, m. 1764, Katherine, dr. of Rev. John Humble, and had issue:
    - Ven. John Ussher, D.D., F.T.C.D., Archdeacon of Raphoe, born 1766, d.s.p. 1835.
    - Rev. Cornelius Henry Ussher, D.D., F.T.C.D., born 1767, d. 1836, m. his first cousin, Rebecca, dr. of Rev. Henry Ussher, Astronomer Royal of Ireland, and had issue ;
      - Rev. Henry Ussher. (2) Thomas Ussher. (3) John Ussher. (4) Rev. Wm. Cunningham Ussher. (5) Samuel Ussher. (6) James Ussher. (7) Frances Ussher. (8) Maria Ussher.

- 3. Katherine Ussher.
- IV. Rev. Henry Ussher, D.D., Senr. F.T.C.D., Astronomer Royal of Ireland, born 1741, d. 1790, m. Margaret Burne, and had issue :
  - Sir Thomas Ussher, K.C.B., Rear Admiral of the Blue, born 1779, d. 1862, m. Elizabeth Forster, and had issue:
    - Thomas Neville Ussher, born 1806, d. 1886, m. in 1830, Eliza Katherine Farnsett, who d. 1882, and had issue:
      - Adelaide Juliana Lucinda Ussher, born 1831, m. in 1846, Major-Genl. Robert Hughes, and has issue, Thos. Percy, and Sydney.
        - [2] Thomas Neville Ussher, d.y.
        - [3] Hon. Herbert Taylor John Ussher, born 1834, m. in 1854, Julia, widow of Capt. Hicks, and had issue, Constance Ussher, m. Capt. C. Davenport of Davenport, Cheshire.
        - [4] Haïtiana Maria Louis Ussher, born 1839, m. Col. A.
           S. Murray, R.A., and had issue Lydia and Herbert.
      - (2) Sydney Henry Ussher, Capt. R.N., d. unmd., 1863.
      - (3) Edward Pellew Hammett Ussher, Major R.M.I., m. Charlotte Duke; m. 2ndly, Col. Cole.
      - (4) William Henry Bernard Ussher, d. 1854, m. Miss Clarke and had issue :
        - [1] Neville Ussher. [2] William Ussher.
      - (5) Caroline Henrietta Ussher, m. Rev. Neville Parry.
      - (6) Elizabeth S. C. Ussher, m. Rev. J. St. George Williams.
      - (7) Ida Louise Ussher, d.y.
      - (8) Frances Flood Ussher, d.y.
  - 2. John Ussher, born at Dunkirk, d.y.
  - 3. Henry Ussher, Midshipman R.N., d. 1802.
  - 4. Frances Ussher.
  - 5. Sarah Ussher.
  - 6. Margaret Ussher.
  - 7. Rebecca Ussher, m. her cousin Rev. Cornelius H. Ussher.

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8. Alice Richarda Ussher.

v. Philippa Ussher, m. Thomas Ball of Sea Park, Co. Wicklow.

vi. Alicia Ussher, m. William West.

VII. Katherine Ussher, m. Wm. Finnamore.

VII. MARY USSHER, born 1691, d. 1697.

VIII. LETTICE USSHER, born 1693, d. 1729.

IX. ALICE USSHER, born 1694, d. 1707.

X. JANE USSHER, m. Ross Mahon of Castlegar, Co. Galway.

XI. WILLIAM USSHER, born 1697, d.y.

XII. MARGABET USSHER, d.y.

XIII. JUDITH USSHER, d.y.

XIV. THOMAS USSHER, born in Westmeath 1704; M.A., T.C.D. 1728, m... and had two drs.

Arms—A chevron ermine between three batons or. Crest—An arm couped below the elbow, and erect vested bendy or and az. holding in the hand ppr. a baton Gold. Motto—" Ne vile velis."

JOHN USSHER, eldest son of Sir William Ussher, junior, by his second wife Ursula St. Barbe, was born in 1646, bap. St. Audoen's 10th March, 164 $\frac{1}{6}$ ; entered T.C.D. in 1661; became B.A. 1665, LL.D., a barrister-at-law, and resided for some time at Monaghan. He was Master in Chancery from 1698 to 1721, when he surrendered his post. In 1688 "John Ussher" and others were made Trustees of the forfeited tithes and Rectories, for building churches and augmenting other Rectories. His name appears in the Subsidy Act (Irish) for 1695 as for the Co. Monaghan, and in that of 1698, for Dublin and the Co. Westmeath. In the *Dublin Gazette* for  $173\frac{1}{2}$ , 29th Feb., "Last Friday (25th) died in an advanced age, and Saturday was interred in St. Audoen's Church, John Usher, Esq., formerly one of the Masters in the High Court of Chancery. He was a gentleman of exceeding good character."

The will (prerog.) of Dr. John Ussher of Dublin was proved 4th May, 1732. He bequeathed his goods to his son Christopher Ussher, "to whom I am obliged for his tender care and kindness to me and whom I appoint exor." 3rd Feb., 173<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>. A portrait of him in flowing wig is at Eastwell, Co. Galway. He was aged 87 at his death.

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## JOHN USSHER, Master of Chancery (1698-1721).

From a Copy of his Picture at Eastwell, County Galway.

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He was possessed of the lands of Dungoogan in the Co. Galway, as appears by his son's will, and also of Killeglan, Co. Meath, containing 4 quarters, and Onagh and Carragh containing 8 qrs., bar. Athlone, Co. Roscommon, and Fraughmore, 130 acres 2 roods in same Co., which he released to Samuel Molyneux, 30th Jan., 1710. Witnesses to the Deed, Thos. Molyneux, Physc. Doc., Dub., Pan Gran Parabon Skynner, Clerk to Brien Worthington, Notary Public. He also had property in Dublin.

John Ussher m. Alice Molyneux, his 2nd cousin, born about 1653, dr. of Samuel Molyneux of Buttesey and Castledillon, 3rd son of Daniel Molyneux, Ulster King of Arms, and his wife Jane, dr. of Sir Wm. Ussher, senr. Mrs. Ussher's sister m. John Madden, and was ancestress of the Madden family of Hilton, Co. Monaghan. Alice Ussher was buried in St. Audoen's, Nov. 30th, 1709. By her he had issue:

- I. Sylvester Ussher, born . . . buried in St. Audoen's 11th Oct., 1672, " son of John and Ales."
- II. John Ussher, died young.
- III. William Ussher, "son of Councillor John," buried in St. Audoen's, 30th March, 1684.
- IV. Samuel Ussher, "son of Counsellor John," buried in St. Audoen's, 1687.
  - V. Christopher Ussher, born about 1690, Secretary of the Linen Board, Dublin, and after of Mount Ussher, Co. Wicklow (of whom below).
- VI. Mary Ussher, born 9th Oct., 1691, "dr. of John Usher," buried in St. Audoen's, 9th Oct., 1697.
- VII. Lettice Ussher, born about 1692, buried in St. Audoen's, 24th Oct., 1729.
- VIII. Alice Ussher, born about 1693, buried in St. Audoen's, 7th April, 1707.
  - IX. Jane Ussher, bap. in St. Michan's, 17th Feb., 169<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, m. Ross Mahon of Castlegar, Co. Galway, and had a son Ross Mahon, father of Sir Ross Mahon, the first Bart., who was grandfather of the 2nd, 3rd and present Barts. In a Chancery Decree, 1744, John Roe, Prot. Discoverer is Plff. agst. Ross Mahon

and Christopher Usher, Esqrs., Defts., as to lands in the Co. Galway.

There is a picture of Mrs. Jane Mahon at Eastwell House, Co. Galway.

- X. Rev. Samuel Ussher, born 1694; educated in Dublin by Dr. Drury; entered Trin. Coll. Dublin, 9th July, 1714, at the age of 20; B.A. 1719; M.A. 1722; Rector of Dunganstown, Co. Wicklow, died 20th Aug., 1771, m. about 1730, Frances dr. of J. Walsh and his wife... Eastwick, and had issue:
  - I. William Ussher, Capt. R.N., lost at sea off Scilly.
  - 11. Thomas Ussher, born 1739; Ensign in Col. Draper's Regt., Lieut. Dec., 1765, Capt. 16th Regt., died 1788, buried 15th Decr., 1788, at St. Thomas' Churchyard, Dublin ; he m. by Cons. Lic. 31st May, 1777 at St. Thomas' Dublin (by Rev. Mr. Usher) Rebecca, dr. of Rev. W. Walsh of Blessington, who d.s.p., 1790. He leaves all to his wife by will; her will (prerog.) leaves directions "to be buried in the Churchyard of St. Thomas' near my late dear husband, Thos. Usher, Esq., and my late uncle the Rev. Dr. Richard Stewart." She devises estate, etc., to John Usher of Mt. Usher, Co. Wicklow, and James Barlow, Esq., of Abbey St., in trust, viz., to hand to my niece Miss Rebecca Usher, 4th dr. of the Rev. Dr. Henry Usher, br. of my late husband, my gold watch and chain and trinkets; to Miss Catherine and Miss Muriel Smith, drs. of the widow King of Frederick St., £5 5s. for mourning; to Mrs. Margt. Usher, wife of Henry, £200, to pay to Frances, eldest dr. of Henry, £300; Miss Margt. Ussher, 2nd dr. of Henry; Miss Sarah, 3rd dr., and Alice Richarda Usher, 5th dr. of Henry, also to Thos., John and Henry, sons of Henry Usher-my half brother Wm. Walsh, 2nd son of my late father Rev. Wm. Usher of Blessington; John and Cornelius, sons of my late husband's brother John." Dated 1st April, 1789, pr. 14th July, 1790.
  - III. John Ussher, gent., Co. Wicklow (cf. T.C.D. Matric. Reg. 1782)
     d. in Marlborough St. Dub., 1770, m. May, 1764, Katherine,

dr. of the Rev. John Humble, Rector of Donagh, Dio. of Derry who d. 1719, and aunt of the first Nugent Humble, Bt., and by her had issue, a daughter and two sons, viz.:

- 1. Catherine Ussher, mentioned as a legatee of £30 in the will of her uncle Rev. Chas. Humble, Rector of Derryloran, 1772
- The Ven. John Ussher, Archdeacon of Raphoe 1818, born 1765; educated by Rev. Thos. Ball; entered T.C.D. 1782; Sch. 1784; elected Mem. Hist. Soc. 2nd Feb., 1785; B.A. 1785; M.A. 1790; F.T.C.D. 1790; B.D. 1796; D.D. 1701; nominated by the Provost T.C.D. to Rector of Rahy, Dio. Raphoe, 10th Aug., 1799, d.s.p. 19th July, 1835, aged 69.
- Rev. Cornelius Henry Ussher, born 1766; educated by Rev. Thos. Ball; entered T.C.D. 1782; Sch. 1785; B.A. 1786; elected Member of the College Hist. Soc. 8th Feb., 1786; Cand. for Auditorship 1788; F.T.C.D. 1794; D.D., Professor of Natl. Philosophy, Prebendary of Clondehorkey 1st April, 1812, Rector of Tullyagnish 15th March, 1814; died 5th March, 1836, aged 69. "March 7th, 1836 buried the Rev. Cornelius Henry Ussher, D.D., late Fellow of Dublin University, and for 22 years Rector of this Parish of Tullaughnish." (Parish Register.) The Church of Tullyagnish was built during his incumbency. He presented a chalice to the parish church in 1825. He married in 1806 his first cousin Rebecca, dr. of Rev. Henry Ussher, D.D., S.F.T.C.D., and had issue:
  - Rev. Henry Ussher, born 1801; entered T.C.D. 1818;
     M.A., Curate of Magherafelt and of Ballinderry, Dio. Armagh, went to Australia and d. unmd., 1878.
  - (2) Thomas Ussher, born 1802, d.s.p.
  - (3) John Ussher, born 1804, entered T.C.D., 1821, d.s.p.
  - (4) Rev. William Conyngham Ussher, born 1806, entered T.C.D., 1621; B.A., 1825; Vicar of Renhold, Beds.;
    d. 1859; m. 1st, Hannah, dr. of N. Holmes of Derby, and had issue, Sophia Ussher. He m. 2ndly, Lucy.

dr. of Rev. John Garton Howard, Rector of Stantonby-Dale, and St. Michael's, Derby, and of Charlotte Gordon, his wife, and had issue :

- [1] William Howard Ussher, born 1839, d. 1874.
- [2] Henry Ussher, born 1841, m. Sara Talbot, and had issue: *i*. Lily Ussher, m. Edwd. Gooch. *i*. Wm. Ussher. *j*. Lucy Ussher. *i*. Philip Ussher. *j*. Sophia Ussher. *i*. Neville Ussher. *i*. James Cornelius Ussher, in Australia.
- [3] James Cornelius Ussher, born 1843, d. 1875.
- [4] John Garton Ussher, m. 1876, Caroline, dr. of Rev. H. Thomson, Rector of Hemley, Suffolk, and has issue: *I*. Maud Ussher. *2*. Neville Ussher. *3*. Percy Ussher. *4*. Frank Ussher. *5*. Mabel Ussher—all in Australia.
- [5] Arland Samuel Ussher, born 1858, of the Inland Revenue Department, Somerset House, London, W.C.
- (5) Maria Ussher, d. 1873, m. . . Colyer of Sydney, N.S.W., and has issue, Ussher Colyer and John Cox Colyer.
- (6) Samuel James Ussher, born in 1809. He and his brothers were educated by the Rev. George Newenham Wright, M.A., at Bective House, Dublin; he entered T.C.D., 1825; Sch., 1828; B.A., 1839; d. 1861, m. Margaret L. Chambers, and had issue:
  - [1] Henry C. Ussher, B.A., London Univ., now of Redland Hill House, Bristol.
  - [2] James Ussher of Sydney, N.S.W.
  - [3] Arthur Hugh Neville Ussher.
- (7) Frances Ussher, d. 1854, m. . . . Armytage of Sydney, N.S.W.
- (8) James Ussher, killed by a fall from his horse in Australia, 1842.



## REV. HENRY USSHER, D.D., S.F.T.C.D.,

First Astronomer Royal of Ireland (1783-1790).

From a Miniature by his daughter.

- Rev. Henry Ussher, D.D., Donegal Lecturer in Mathematics, 1769-70, Professor of Astronomy, T.C.D., and Astronomer Royal of Ireland, 1783, Senr. Fellow T.C.D., born 1741, in the Co. Wicklow, educated by the Rev. Thos. Ball, entered T.C.D., 1756; Sch., 1759; Fellow, 1764; published eight Astronomical Papers in the Trans. R. Irish Acad., 1785, 9°, d. 8th May, 1790, m. Margaret, dr. of C. J. Burne, Co. Dub., a relative of the then Duchess of Leinster, and had issue :
  - 1. Frances Ussher.
  - 2. Margaret Ussher.
  - 3. Sarah Ussher.

- 4. Rebecca Ussher m. her cousin, Rev. Cornelius Henry Ussher, F.T.C.D., and had issue as above.
- 5. Alice Richarda Ussher.
- 6. Sir Thomas Ussher, born 1779, K.C.B., of whom below.
- 7. John Ussher, born at Dunkirk, entered T.C.D., 1799.
- Henry Ussher, midshipman in His Majesty's ship Siree, d. 1802, gr. intest.

1774, June 21st. Deaths. "A few days ago at Shrewsbury, England, the Rt. Hon. Francis Andrews, Provost of T.C.D., one of H.M.'s Most Hon. Privy Council in this Kingdom, and one of the Reps. in Parlt. for the city of Derry. We are informed that he has bequeathed  $\pounds 5,000$  for the purpose of building an Astronomical Observatory, in the science of which mathematical branch, Doctor Ussher, one of the Junior Fellows, is to be appointed Professor, with an annual salary of  $\pounds 200$ ."

The unproved will of the Rev. H. Ussher, Senior Fellow, T.C.D., 1791, mentions his wife, Margaret; drs., Frances, Sarah, Margaret, Alice; sons, Thos., John and Henry. "To my dr. Sarah, my harpsichord. To son Thos. my astronomical instruments (the house clock excepted) and my watch.

March 19th, grt. adm. 9th April, 1791."

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SirThomas Ussher, K.C.B., eldest son of Rev. Henry Ussher, first Astronomer Royal of Ireland, entered the Royal Navy, 27th Jan., 1791, as Midshipman on board the Squirrell, of 20 guns, commanded by Capt. Wm. O'Brien Drury. A detailed account of his naval career and exploits is contained in O'Byrne's

"Naval Biographical Dict.," 1849. In May, 1796, he was appointed Lieut. in the Pelican brig, in which, on 17th Sept., 1797, he took part in the destruction of Le Trompeur, a French privateer. On 4th April, 1798, when in command of two boats containing 14 men, they were attacked in Cuba by 70 soldiers, whom he put to flight, but was slightly wounded. On the next day he attempted to obtain possession of another privateer, and was shot through the right thigh, fainting from loss of blood, and was taken prisoner. For many months after his return to the Pelican he was obliged to use crutches, and yet in Jan., 1799, he successfully planned and accomplished the capture of La Trompeuse, another privateer. His long series of acts of daring bravery and heroism led to his being appointed on 18th Oct., 1806, to the command of the Redwing sloop of 18 guns, in which he was employed in protecting the trade against the Spanish gunboats near Gibraltar. On 7th May, 1808, near Cape Trafalgar he met seven armed vessels convoying twelve sail of merchant vessels, and sank with a broadside two schooners; two other of the vessels with four merchantmen went down, and seven traders with an armed boat fell into his hand.

For this and another gallant exploit on June 1st, 1880, Capt. Ussher "for his judicious and gallant conduct in his Majesty's Service," was promoted to post rank by a Commission dated 24th May, 1808. He returned to England on account of his wounds, and at a public dinner given to him by the nobility and gentry at Dublin, he was presented with the freedom of that city.

He held command successively of 5 other men-of-war. In April, 1814, being close in to Marseilles, he received a deputation from the citizens informing him that Napoleon Bonaparte had abdicated, and that a provisional government had been formed. He therefore landed, and received a requisition from Lord Castlereagh to make ready to convey the Emperor to Elba. He repaired to Fréjus, and there on the evening of April 28th, he embarked Napoleon, and at 8 p.m. on the 30th landed him at Porto Ferrajo in Elba. Capt. Ussher was greatly praised for the skilful way in which he performed this delicate duty. He remained at Elba until the transports conveying Napoleon's troops, horse, etc., arrived, and then, though entreated by the ex-Emperor to prolong his stay, he left. When Sir Thomas was conveying Napoleon in the Undaunted, a rough gale came on ; Sir Thomas said to the Emperor, "Nothing can

happen, for I carry Cæsar and his fortunes;" to which Napoleon replied, "Cæsar is proud to be with Ussher." One evening shortly after his arrival at Elba, Napoleon was watching from his garden for the arrival of the little army still allowed to him. Some sails were seen in the distance, and the Captain of the Undaunted, who was near him, declared that if he had a good glass he could discover if they were those so anxiously expected. "If that is the only thing required," said the Emperor; "here is one, try it," and he took from his pocket an excellent German glass by Friedlander, magnificently mounted in gold, on which were engraved the Imperial arms. "Alas, Sir," exclaimed Captain Ussher, "these are not the sails we were waiting for." "Are you sure ?" answered Napoleon. "One cannot make a mistake with such an instrument as that, Sir," rejoined the Englishman, returning the glass to its owner. "Never mind, Captain," was the Emperor's amiable reply; "pray keep this glass as a souvenir of your sojourn at Elba; perhaps you may pass it in your voyages. If you cannot land, you will, at any rate, look through them at my island, and thus pay me a visit."

Napoleon also gave Sir Thos. Ussher a snuff box with his miniature on the lid set in diamonds. This passed into the hands of his eldest son at that time Consul-General and Chargé d'Affaires at Port-au-Prince in Haïti, and was exhibited at the London Exhibition in 1862, where it attracted much attention; on his death, in 1886, it passed into other hands.

When Capt. Ussher returned from Elba, the Admiralty tried to make him say that Napoleon was mad. Ussher bravely refused, saying, "He is no more mad than you or I." In consequence of this he was in disfavour for some time, but he was not the man to court favour against his own convictions. Napoleon III. was always especially kind to Usshers or relations of Usshers; on one occasion when presenting a pencil case with eagle and cipher of Napoleon I. on it, to Mrs. Blunt, a niece of Sir Thomas Ussher, he said, "A pencil used by Napoleon I. presented to a niece of Sir Thomas Ussher by Napoleon III." Napoleon I. was very fond of Sir Thos., who had many tokens of his regard in writing.

Capt. Ussher returned to England in the Duncan in Aug., 1814, was nominated a C.B., 4th June, 1815; awarded 2nd Dec. following a pension of £250 p. ann. for his wounds; appointed 24th July, 1830, Equerry

to the Household of Queen Adelaide; created in 1831 a K.C.B. (accompanied with the honour of Knighthood); granted the Captain's Good Service Pension, 12th March, 1838, and advanced to the rank of Admiral, 9th Nov., 1846. He filled the posts of Commissioner of Bermuda and Halifax Dockyards from 1831 to 1838, and of Naval Commander-in-Chief at Cork from 1st July, 1847, to his death. Sir Thos. Ussher published in 1840 in Dublin, "A Narrative of the First Abdication of Napoleon," of which copies are in the Libraries of the Brit. Mus. and of T.C.D. An extract from the London Times, May, 1848, says, "The late Admiral Sir Thomas Ussher, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Naval Forces on the Irish Station, late of Cove at Cork, who died on the 6th of Jan. last at the age of 69, had made his will in July, 1845, leaving to his two daughters Caroline and Elizabeth Ussher all his property, of what nature or kind soever. or wherever situate, and whether in progression reversion, remainder or expectancy, or which he might become entitled to, for their own absolute use, and further appointed them residuary legatees. By a memorandum written after the execution of his will, he also leaves to his two daughters the snuff box presented to him by the Emperor Napoleon, containing a celebrated miniature of the Emperor by Isabel, surrounded with magnificent brilliants, His Majesty, King George the Fourth, had offered him (Sir Thomas), £3,000 for it, and a private individual a very much larger sum. Sir Edmund Knowles Lacon, Bart., his nephew and executor, obtained probate of the will in London, Sir Thomas having left personal property in England. The Honble. Capt. King, the other executor named in the will, died in the lifetime of the Admiral."

William IV. was very fond of Sir Thomas Ussher, who was his Equerry for some time; one of his sons Edward (afterwards Major R.M.I.) was page at Court. Sir Thomas had the recommendation of possessing two daughters remarkable for their beauty; a portrait of the youngest hung in Napoleon's cabin in the Undaunted, and often attracted the attention of the fallen Emperor, "by the sweetness of the countenance and the brilliancy of the large dark blue eyes." An amusing anecdote is told of this captivating young lady and "our Sailor King."—"At the first Drawing-room held by Queen Adelaide and William the Fourth after their coronation, Miss E. Ussher was presented, as



## SIR THOMAS USSHER, K.C.B., K.C.H.,

Rear Admiral of the Blue (1846-1862).

From a Photograph by Cranfield, of his picture.

a matter of course, though already well known to the King, while he was Duke of Clarence, owing to his friendship of many years' standing with her father. At the moment of presentation, however, some hesitation occurred owing to a slight informality, as Lord James O'Brien was handing her forward. At this the King, in his hearty stentorian voice, called out, 'Is that Bessy Ussher? God bless her! Let her come! Why, I've known her since she was a baby!' And a hearty and resounding kiss, planted on either cheek of the blushing girl, gave ample testimony to the sincerity of his declaration and the vigour of his regard."

Sir Thomas Ussher m. Elizabeth, dr. of Thomas Forster, Esq., of Grove House, Buckinghamshire, and had issue 4 sons and 4 daughters. She was a Forster of the old blood. The Northumbrians have a saying, "The Almighty first made Northumberland, and then he made the Forsters."

Ida, Duchess of Saxe Weimar, was an intimate friend of Lady Ussher who wrote to congratulate her on King William's accession to the throne (Queen Adelaide being a sister of her Royal Highness, who was mother of Prince Edward of Saxe Weimar), and received the following charming reply.

"Chateau de Welden, près Garnie,

7 Juillet, 1830.

"J'ai bien des remercimens à vous faire ma chére Madame Ussher, pour votre aimable lettre et pour la part que vous y témoignez aux changements qui ont eu licu en Angleterre et surtout a l'egard de ma Soeur. Je ne puis vous nier que je la pleine de tout mon coeur, car ne tenant nullement aux grandeurs de ce monde, elle se sentait plus heureuse dans sa position précédente que dans celle qu'elle occupa maintenant. Que Dieu veuille l'assister et lui donne des forces desdans la haute destinée qu'il lui a imposé. Du reste je crois que ce changement sera un bien général. Recevez aussi, ma chére Mrs. Ussher, mes félicitations pour la nommination de Monsieur votre mari, que J'ai appris avec bien du plaisir. Je suis bien aise pour ma Soeur qu'elle soit aussi bien entourée. Le Duc est absent dans ce moment, sans quoi il me chargerait de ses complimens pour vous. L'intérêt que vous avez bien-voulu prendre à la naissance de ma derniére petite fille me prouve que vous êtes toujours la même pour moi amicable et bonne. Grace à Dieu mes enfans se portent tous très bien, j'espere les votres de même. Veuillez leurs faire mes complimens ainsi

envers Capt. Ussher, et croyez moi, ma chére Madam Ussher, avec un attachement bien sincere, et la plus haute consideration.

"Votre dévouée amie,

"IDA.

"P.S.—Pardonnez ce terrible griffonage je dois me hâter pour ne pas manquer le poste, et j'ai très peu de temps a moi."

The following letter also accompanying a copy of "Some Recollections of the last days of His late Majesty King William the 4th," given to Sir Thomas by Queen Adelaide, is in the possession of his last surviving daughter, Mrs. Williams.

"Bushy Park, 31st July, 1837.

"DEAR SIR,

"I am honoured with the commands of the Queen Dowager, who in the midst of the affliction never fails to remember the friends of his late Majesty, to beg your acceptance of the accompanying memoir of the last days of his fatal illness. Her Majesty feels confident that your attachment to our lamented king will prompt you to peruse with pleasure and interest any Record, however brief and imperfect, of the truly Christian patience and resignation with which His Majesty was enabled, by God's grace, to await his approaching end.

"I am happy in being able to say that the Queen Dowager is in both health and spirits better than her friends could have expected.

"I am, dear Sir,

"Yours very faithfully,

"JOHN RYLE WOOD.

"To Captain

"Sir Thomas Ussher."

Sir Thomas Ussher had issue as follows:

 Thomas Neville Ussher, of the Diplomatic Service, born 1806, d. April, 1886; was Consul General for Haïti; m. in 1830, Eliza. Katherine Farnsett, dr. of Capt. John Farnsett of Bierly Hall, Yorkshire, who d. Jan. 1882, leaving issue : [1] Adelaide Juliana Lucinda Ussher, born 25th Oct.,

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1831, m 1846, Major-Genl. Robert Hughes and has issue two sons, Thomas Percy Hughes, Colonial Secretary, Natal, and Sydney Hughes, Lieut. R.N.

- [2] Thomas Neville Ussher d. in infancy.
- [3] Hon. Herbert Taylor John Ussher, C.M.G., born 22nd April, 1836, m. 1854, Julia Hicks, widow of Captain Hicks, and d. 2nd Decr., 1880, at Accra, Gold Coast, as Governor in-Chief of the Colony. Had he lived to return, he would have been Knighted. He had issue Constance Ussher, who m. Capt. C. Davenport of Davenport, Cheshire, and who has supplied some of the above interesting anecdotes about Sir Thomas Ussher.
- [4] Haïtiana Marie Louise Ussher, born in Haïti in 1839, m. Colonel Augustus Stavely Murray, R.A., and has issue Lydia and Herbert Murray.
- (2) Sydney Henry Ussher, entered the Royal Navy 7th Feb., 1822; first Com. 12th Aug., 1828; was appointed on North America and West India Station; 22nd Feb., 1830, to the Blanche, 46 guns; 19th July, 1833, as 1st Lieut. to the Sapphire; 16th July, 1834 to the President, 52 guns, flagship of Sir George Cockburn, and 4th Sept. following to the Command of the Skipjack. In this he made prize of a Spanish slave brig of 8 guns and 20 men, and commanded the Wasp in the coast of Africa, post Capt. 1846; died by drowning, unmarried 1863.
  - (3) Edward Pellew Hammett Ussher, Major, Royal Marines, died in 1870; he was godson to Lord Exmouth; he m. 27th July, 1848, Charlotte Maria, youngest dr. of Rev. Edwd. Duke of Lake House, Wilts, who m. 2ndly, Colonel Cole, now residing at Southsea.
  - (4) William Henry Bernard Ussher, of the Commissariat, died in Bermuda, 1854, godson to Wm. IV., Queen Adelaide and the Duchess of Saxe Weimar, m. Miss

Clarke, niece to Hon. Admiral Byng, and had issue, Neville and Wm. Ussher.

- (5) Caroline Henrietta Ussher, m. Rev. Neville Parry, late Capt. 41st Ft., and d. Oct., 1884.
- (6) Elizabeth S. C. Ussher, m. Rev. J. St. George Williams, Rector of Clondullose, since decd. She now resides at Abbeyview, Monkstown, Co. Dublin.
- (7) Ida Louise Ussher, died young, godchild to Ida, Duchess of Saxe Weimar.
- (8) Frances Flood Ussher, d. aged 17, in Paris.
- vii. Philippa Ussher, m. 1748, Thomas Ball of Seapark, Co. Wicklow, and Creggan, Co. Armagh, and had issue: 1. Thomas Ball of Sidney Place, Bath, d. 1825, m. 1795, Mary Prideaux, and had issue: (1) Thomas Prideaux Ball, born 1796, d. 1869.
  (2) Philippa Ball. (3) Jane Eleanor Ball. (For the other descendants of Philippa Ussher, see Records of Anglo-Irish Families of Ball, by the Rev. W. Ball Wright).
- VIII. Alice Ussher m. William West of Co. Wicklow.
  - IX. Katherine Ussher m. 1st, Mr. Sheppard; m. 2ndly, William Finnemore of Donnybrook.
- X. William Ussher, son of John and Alice Ussher, bap. St. Michan's, 24th July, 1697, died young.
- XI. Margaret Ussher, died young.
- XII. Judith Ussher, died young.
- XIII. Thomas Ussher, born 4th Nov., 1704, in Co. Westmeath, entered T.C.D., 1720; B.A., 1724; M.A., 1728. Nothing is known certainly about his history, except that his nephew, John Ussher, in 1796, leaves a legacy to his two drs.

We now return to Christopher Ussher, eldest of the surviving sons of John Ussher, Master of Chancery; he was for many years Secretary of the John Dublin, and afterwards of Mount Ussher, Co. Wicklow. IIe m. 22nd Feb., 1717, Elizabeth, only dr. and heiress of Benjamin Chetwode (4th son of Valentine Chetwode, of Chetwode, Co. Bucks), Solicitor for the

Irish Revenue, by Catherine, eldest dr. of Nicholas Jones, of Rosetown, Co. Kildare. She was born in St. Bride's parish, Dublin.

Mrs. Pendarves (afterwards Delany), in a letter from Dublin, 30th March, 1732, says, "Mr. Wesley had Butlerstown, a little house 3 miles out of town near the sea. It is now in possession of a near relation of his, Mr. Kit Ussher, a very sensible, plain, goodnatured man; his wife is a poor little meek woman that never makes or mars sport." Also in one from Delville, 22nd April, 1752, she says: "Next week we propose making an excursion to Mount Ussher, Co. Wicklow, about 20 miles off, where I shall see groves of myrtle as common as nut trees; Mr. Kit Usher's place." In another letter, dated Mount Usher, 21st May, 1752: "Mr. Usher sent a chaise and saddle horse for Mrs. Donnellan, her maid, and gran." The myrtles, shesays, were so plentiful that the dishes were garnished therewith, and the gentlemen and ladies were going to deck Wicklow Church with them at Christmas. She also describes the groves of arbutus. In another letter, dated Delville, 19th June, 1752, she says: "The Mr. Usher we went to see is Christopher Usher, cousin to Will Usher, my old acquaintance who has been dead these 6 years."

The prerog. will of Christopher Usher of Mt. Usher, Co. Wicklow, proved 10th March, 1764. By marriage articles 4th Jan., 1717, power to charge estates with £1,200 for younger children, and £500 for any urgent occasion. £1,500, portion of Elizabeth, to have been laid out on lands, and is limited to her for life, I discharge my lands, etc. I am possessed of the lands of Dungoogan, Co. Galway, as heir to my father John Usher, and devise them to my son John Usher for life, etc., and on failure of his male heirs to my son Wm., etc. £1,500 to my dr. Alice, to Jane Rowan, £500; sons Wm. and Christopher, £1,000 each. My drs. Catherine Usher and Martha Edgeworth are turned Roman Catholiques, and have quitted me and my family and all natural ties to them and their country. I leave them 1s. each, with my blessing. Richd. Lord Mornington, and my brother, Ross Mahon, Senr., of Castlebar, to be Executors. After, wife and son John, Exors., 17th Sept. 1761.

Christopher Ussher, who died 1763, and was buried in St. Audoen's, 5th Sept., 1763, by his wife, Elizabeth, who d. at Mt. Ussher, 12th Sept., 1769, had issue:



## THE USSHER MEMOIRS.

- John Ussher, his heir, born in Co. Wicklow about 1718, educated by Mr. Bryan, entered T.C.D., 1746; B.A., 1750; succeeded his father in 1763, High Sheriff for Co. Wicklow, 1764, M.P. for Inistiogue, 1783-90, died in his house in Marlborough Street, Dublin, 1796. The prerog. will of John Usher, of Eastville, Co. Galway; to be buried in St. Thomas's Church, if I die in Dublin, otherwise in Aughrim. To Richd. Tighe, brother of my late dear friend, Wm. Tighe, Esq., of Rosanna, and John Rowan, Esq., of Kilcarry, Co. Carlow, my estates for my nephew Christopher, son of my br. Christopher, of Kilcarry. Nephew John, £200 per ann. To sister Alice Ussher and sister Catherine Ussher, £50 per ann. To uncle Thos. Ussher's two drs., £20. To my dear Wm. Finamore of Donnybrook, £200. Proved 4th Nov., 1796.
- II. Katherine Ussher, bap. St. Andrew's Dub., 15th Feb., 1719, joined the Roman Catholic Church and went to France in 1748 with her sister, where she died.
- 111. Martha Ussher, bap. St. Andrew's, Dub., 8th March, 1720, m. Rev. Robert Edgworth of Firmount, Co. Longford, and with him joined the Roman Catholic Church, and went to France about 1748, where he died.

The Rev. Robert Edgworth was son of Rev. Essex Edgworth, born 1679, Rector of Templemichael, Co. Longford, who was 5th son of Sir John Edgworth, and a younger brother of the founder of the Edgworthstown family. Essex Edgworth's will proved in 1737, recites that he m. in 1719, . . . dr. of Sir John King, Bart, with a fortune secured on her father's estate, of which £1,500 was settled on his younger children and the remaining £1,908 9s. he settles on his eldest son Robert; mentions his drs. Mary, Frances and Jane, dated 1733; witnesses, Michael Neligan, Thos. Carter, etc. The Rev. Robert Edgworth of Firmount made his will 11th Dec., 1747, desiring to be buried on the North side of Edgworthstown Church—"If I die beyond sea, to be buried at least 10 feet under ground in the common cemetery; my wife Martha Edgeworth not to wear the usual mourning of widows but only such as is common for near relations, and I bequeath to her all her rings, watch and

apparell, heartily sorry that it is not in my power to make her a more generous acknowledgement for her extraordinary tenderness and conduct with regard to me. Item : it is my desire that a copy of some picture done for me be made in miniature by a good Limner and set in gold, which I pray my sister-in-law Catherine Ussher to accept as a token of that friendship which I owe her for her love and tenderness of my family. Item: I bequeath to my eldest son Essex Edgeworth Edgeworth, my best watch; and whatever shall remain after debts are paid I bequeath to my younger children. If my wife marry, my mother and sister Mary to be Exors. The former to accept of Bingham's Antiquities in 2 vols. folio, and the latter my large Oxford Bible folio, a valuable tho' cheap acknowledgement of my love, hoping my dear wife will not take amiss the removing her from ye care of my affairs in ye above mentioned case, this alteration being entirely designed to prevent her unhappiness, as I have known many women made miserable in second marriage for being too good to betray ye children of a former husband." Signed in presence of John and William Ussher. Ussher Edgeworth, Esq., son and Resid. Legatee, proved 1794.

Rev. Robert Edgworth, by Martha Ussher, had issue:

- 1. Essex Edgworth Edgworth, mentioned in his father's will.
- 2. Robert Edgworth, who died before his brother Ussher.
- Ussher Edgworth, Solicitor, of Jervis St., Dublin, d. unmd., buried in St. Mary's Churchyard, Dublin. Rd. Downes Bowyer is appointed heir of all his goods, etc.; w. pr. 1809.
- 4. A dr. m. . . . Bowyer.
- Henry Essex Edgworth, born 1745, known as the Abbè Edgworth, or Mons. de Firmont, of whose life we give a sketch translated and corrected from Beaulieu's "Biographie Universelle," Paris 1815. Vol. 14, page 562 :--

"Henry Essex Edgeworth de Firmont, priest of the Roman Church and Vicar-General of the Church of Paris, sprang from a very considerable family of Middlesex in England, taking its name from the village of Edgeworth, now Edgeware, and which established itself in Ireland in 1582, when Francis Edgeworth came with his brother Edward to Ireland, and was Clerk of the Hanaper, Edward being Bishop of Down. Capt. Sir John Edgeworth son of

Francis, m. 2ndly, Mrs. Bridgman. He had by his first wife a son, and she a dr. by a former husband. The young people married and had a number of sons. In 1671 Sir John Edgeworth was Knighted; his 5th son Essex graduated at T.C.D., was Rector of Granard and then of Templemichael; he m. a dr. of Sir Robert King of Rockingham, Co. Roscommon. Their eldest son Robert m. Martha Ussher and became Rector of Edgeworthstown, where Henry Edgeworth was born in the house where Oliver Goldsmith received the rudiments of education from Mr. Patrick Hughes. When Henry was four years old, his father gave up his living and removed to France; Robert, Henry, and their sister went to Toulouse. Ussher remained in Ireland.

The principal circumstance in the life of this ecclesiastic is connected with the horrible event which at the end of the 18th century carried horror and affright into all Europe, and the fatal consequences of which still make themselves so vividly felt at the time when this notice is written. His father, an Anglican clergyman, abandoned the communion in which he had been brought up, and with his wife, and his sister-in-law, Miss Ussher, went to Toulouse, where young Edgeworth began his studies under the Jesuits, embraced the clerical profession, and soon became a model of good priests; he first thought to dedicate himself to foreign missions, but his friends persuaded him that he would be just as useful to the true religion by defending it in his adopted country against the daily reiterated attacks of its many foes; and he resolved to become a confessor in the capital. A zeal so charitable could not be long ignored ; he was soon known in spite of his obscurity, and truly pious souls of all classes hurried to give him their confidence ; his former-fellow countrymen who were at Paris sought him out ; he succeeded even in reuniting several to the Catholic faith, and it was proposed to give him an Irish Bishopric, which he did not see his way to accept.

Providence had destined him to discharge those terrible Ministrations which were very differently to honour and bless his memory. Madame Elizabeth, the King's sister, chose him for her director. She was in the Temple prison, a comforting angel to her brother, who had long foreseen the lot reserved for him. In their private communications, she told him of the Abbè de Firmont, then retired to Choisy le Roi, and disguised under the name of Essex after the massacres of 1792. A long time before he had a presentiment of the loving

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mission which he was to fulfil near his king. Here is a passage of a letter which he wrote 21st Dec., 1792, to one of his friends in England : "My unfortunate master has cast his eyes on me to prepare him for death, if the iniquity of his people goes so far as to commit this parricide. I am preparing myself to die; for I am convinced that the popular fury will not let me survive for one hour this horrible scene. But I am resigned; my life is nought. If in losing it I can save him whom God has placed for the fall and rising again of many, I would willingly sacrifice it, and my death w<sup>d</sup>. not be in vain." The hateful proceeding had commenced at the moment when this letter was written. A little time before the warrant was brought, the King said to Mons. Malesherbes who passed near him every moment of the day not employed in his defence, "My sister has pointed out to me a good priest who has not taken the oath, and whose obscurity would permit him to escape afterward from persecution. Here is his address. I pray you go to him, to tell him and prepare him to come when permission is granted me to see him." Then he added, "Behold a very strange commission for a philosopher; for I know you are one; but if you had to suffer as much as I, and must die as I am about to do, I would wish you the same sentiments which w<sup>d</sup>. console you much more than philosophy." When the news that he was to die was communicated to Louis he asked for three days to prepare for death, and liberty to communicate with his confessor whose name he had given to the Minister of State. He was refused the The Minister respite, but allowed to see his family and Mons, de Firmont. took the Abbé in his own carriage to the prison.

As soon as he was left with the King, as he relates in his published Memoirs, "Tears escaped in spite of me, and I fell at his feet without being able to make him hear any language but that of my grief." The King raised him and after confessing asked him many questions about the clergy and Bishops. At 8 the King rose, begged Mons. Edgeworth to wait and proceeded to take leave of his family. The Abbé witnessed the farewell. He then offered to say Mass, and the Commune having unwillingly assented, at 5 the next morning, Jan. 21st, he put on his vestments, celebrated Mass and administered the Communion to the King. At 8 the King entered the carriage, having previously asked the Abbé for his blessing. The King having ascended the scaffold said, "Messieurs, I recommend to you the Abbé." He

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took off his own coat before he mounted the scaffold. It was at this moment the Abbé said with a sublime look, "Montez au ciel, fils de Saint Louis." When they were going to bind the King's hands, and he seemed inclined to resist, the Abbé, whose expression was heavenly, gave him a last look and said "Suffer this outrage, as a last resemblance to that God who is about to be your reward." After the execution the priest descended and returned to Choisy le Roi, whence he did not go till April, 1795. He remained a long time at Bayeux, and in 1796 escaped to England and went to see the King's brother at Edinburgh. Pitt offered him a pension which he declined. He soon after followed Louis XVIII. to Blankenburg in Brunswick, and thence to Mittau. M. Edgeworth died 22nd May, 1807, aged 67, of a contagious fever caught in attending a number of sick French *emigrés*. The Duchess of Angoulême waited on him in his last moments; the Royal family followed him to the tomb, and Louis XVIII. wrote his epitaph as follows:

## D. O. M.

Hic jacet Reverendissimus Vir Henricus Edgeworth de Firmont, Sanctae Ecclesiae Sacerdos

Vicarius Generalis Ecclesiae Parisiensis, etc

Qui

Redemptoris nostri vestigia tenens Oculus cæco

pes claudo

pater pauperum

Mærentium consolator

fuit,

Ludovicum XVI. Ab impiis rebellibusque subditis Morti deditum ad ultimum certamen roboravit, Strenuoque martyri coelos apertos Ostendit.

E manibus regicidarum Mirâ Dei protectione ereptus, Ludovico XVIII. eum ad se vocanti ultro occurrens. Ei per decem annos, regiæ ejus familiae, necnon et fidelibus sodalibus, Exemplar virtutum, levamen malorum sese præbuit. Per multas et varias regiones temporum calamitate Actus illi quem solum colebat semper similis pertransiit benefaciendo Plenus tandem bonis operibus Obiit. die 22 Maii mensis Anno Domini 1807. Aetatis vero suæ 62. R. I. P.

There is an oil painting of the Abbè Edgeworth at Eastwell House, Co. Galway.

In a letter of his in 1789, he speaks of his mother; her age and the sedentary life for 12 years past made him apprehend the consequences of a long journey more than the daily riots of the place. She wished to flee to Cork. It is probable that she died in Ireland.

It is a remarkable coincidence that Primate James Ussher visited his sovereign Chas. I. in prison, and was a witness of his execution, and that a great great grandson of Arthur Ussher of Donnybrook, who was third cousin to Primate James Ussher, was the comforter of his King Louis on the scaffold.

- 1v. Jane Ussher, bap. St. Andrew's, Dublin, 10th July, 1724, m. George Rowan, Esq., of Drumbeg, Co. Kerry, and d. 1771. cf. Faulkner's *Dublin Journal*, 28th May, 1771. "On Friday, 24th, at her brother's house in Marlboro' St., Mrs. Rowan, wife of Geo. Rowan, Esq., of Drumbeg, Co. Kerry, and dr. to Christopher Usher, late of Mt. Usher."
  - v. Alice Ussher, born between 1725 and 1730, d. unmd. after 1796.
- v1. William Ussher, baptized at St. Ann's, Dublin, 29th May, 1731; educated by Rev. Mr. Ball, entered T.C.D., 1751; Sch. 1754; B.A., 1756; M.D., 1764; lived and died at Athy, Co. Kildare, m. Elizabeth . . . by whom he had issue:
  - 1. Elizabeth Ussher, m. Richard Davis, gent.
  - 2. Margaret Ussher.
- William Ussher died in 1774, leaving his wife as residuary legatee and executor, 5th April, 1774. The will was proved 23rd Dec., 1774.
- v11. Christopher Ussher, Lieut. in his Majesty's ship, "Prince," 1757, Capt. 1761, afterwards of Kilcarry, Co. Carlow, m. Margaret Bailie, who survived him, and by whom he had issue:
  - 1. Isabella Ussher, bap. 9th May, 1768, St. Ann's, Dublin.
  - 2. Elizabeth Ussher, m. John Rohan.
  - 3. Jane Ussher.
  - 4. Sarah Ussher.
  - 5. Christopher Ussher, born 1770, educated at Ballitore School 1784-8, entered T.C.D., 1788 (of whom below).
  - 6. John Ussher, born about 1771, educated at Ballitore, 1784, Lieut. R.N., afterwards Capt. of Militia, m. Mary Street, dr. of Samuel Street, for 24 years Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Canada, where he settled and had issue :
    - (1) Samuel Ussher m. Harriet Colclough, and had issue:
      - [1] John Ussher, who was killed fighting against Riel; and also others.
    - (2) Edgworth Ussher m. Sarah Thomson, and left issue :

- (3) John Ussher m. . . . and left issue.
- (4) Margaret Ussher m. Thanet Thompson, and had issue:
  - John, d.s.p. [2] Mary, d.s.p. [3] James. [4] George. [5] Margaret m. Rev. W. David, of St. Fagan's, S. Wales. [6] Frances m. James Hamilton, Bishop of Hamilton. [7] Georgina m. Frederic Herbert, R.N.
- (5) Harriet Ussher m. George Mitchell, and had issue:
  - Mary m. Joseph Bawtree. [2] Louisa m. Edward Bawtree, and has issue, Edward Bawtree, R.N., another son and 4 drs. [3] Emily m. C. Spalding.
     [4] Jessie m. Clement Hanning of Toronto.
- (6) Mary Ussher m. her cousin, John Ussher of Eastwell.

Christopher Ussher of Eastwell, Loughrea, Co. Galway, son of Lieut Christopher Ussher of Kilcarry, succeeded his uncle, John Ussher, M.P., in 1796, and m. July, 1797, Ellis, dr. of James Browne of Browne Hall, Co. Mayo, by whom (who d. 1820), he had issue:

- (1) John Ussher, his heir, born 1798, of whom below.
- (2) Rev. Christopher Ussher, born 1801, entered T.C.D., 1820; B.A., 1825; Rector of Castlewellan, Co. Down, died 1859, m. Elizabeth, dr. of Richard Crane Brush of Dromore, Co. Down, decd., and had issue :
  - [1] Arland Ussher, Gill Hall, Dromore, Co. Down, a well known artist.
  - [2] Caroline Ussher.
  - [3] Mary Adelaide Ussher.
  - [4] Christopher James Ussher, of the Indian Civil Service.
- (3) William Ussher of Co. Galway, d.s.p., 1878.
- (4) Ellis Ussher, m. in St. Peter's Church, Dublin, 25th Oct., 1817, Xaverius Blake of Oran Castle, Co. Galway.

(5) Honoria Ussher m. John Donnellan of Ballydonnellan Castle, adjoining Eastwell, Co. Galway.

We now return to John Ussher of Eastwell, eldest son of Christopher Ussher, who m., 1831, his first cousin, Mary, dr. of Capt. John Ussher of Canada, and d. 24th April, 1851, having had issue:

- Christopher Ussher, late of Eastwell, born 1832, m. in 1873, Olivia, dr. of Captain David Ruttledge of Barbersfort, Co. Galway, and d. 1884, leaving issue:
  - 1. William Arland Ussher, born Jan., 1878.
  - 2. Christopher Ussher, born 1880, died young.
  - 3. Henry Ussher, born 10th Feb., 1883.
  - 4. Agnes Ussher.
  - 5. Olivia Ellis Ussher.
  - 6. Alison Ussher.
- John Xaverius Ussher of Rocklands, Oranmore,
   d. 1878, m. Isabella, dr. of Capt. Dillon of Johnstown, and left issue :
  - 1. Sarah Salisbury Ussher, born 1870.
  - 2. Mary Ellis Ussher, born 1871.
  - 3. John St. George Ussher, born 1872.
  - 4. William Gerald Ussher, born 1873.
  - 5. Violet Ethel Ussher, born 1874.
  - 6. Mabel Sophia Ussher, born 1877.
- [3] Edmond Augustus William Ussher, died young.
- [4] William Augustus Edmond Ussher, of the Geological Survey of England and Wales, edited Woodward's Geology, with notes, also author of "Post-Tertiary Geology of Cornwall."
- [5] Mary Ussher m. Stewart S. Johnston, M.D., son of the Rev. W. Johnston of Ratoath, Co. Meath.
- [6] Ellis Belinda Ussher, d. unmd. March, 1825.

THE USSHER MEMOIRS.

## CHAPTER XIV.

## REV. JOHN USSHER, D.D., OF CLONTARF AND HIS FAMILY.

Pedigree of the Descent of Rev. John Ussher and his children.

- JOHN USSHER, supposed to have been born 1694 (and son of Archdeacon Adam Ussher), mercht. of St. Michan's p'sh, m. by Prerog. Lic., 1825, Sarah, dr. of Richd. Murphy, gent., of Blessington, and Anne, his wife, and had issue, with others:
  - I. GEORGE USSHER, born 1734, d.y.
  - II. ALICE USSHER, born 1735, d.y.
  - III. Rev. JOHN USSHER, Clk., born 16th April, 1636, d. 1829, m. 1st, Maria Amelia Anne . . . and had issue by her. (He m. 2ndly, Elizabeth Travers, who d.s.p., 1826):
    - John Ussher, M.D., of Dublin and of Woodpark, Co. Dublin, born 1758, d. 1823, m. first, Lucy Parkinson, widow, and had issue:
      - 1. Arabella Ussher m. Rev. Chas. Mulloy, and d. 1818.
      - 2. John Ussher, Lt.-Col., m. Margaret Connor, and had issue :
        - (1) John George Ussher.
        - (2) George Skeffington Ussher.
        - (3) James Henry Neville Ussher, Surgeon-Major A.M.D., m. dr. of Ven. Archdeacon Cox of Raphoe, and had issue:
      - 3. Henry Ussher, Lieut. R.N.

- 4. Amelia Ussher m. W. Pasley.
- 5. Richard Beverly Ussher, born 1798, Capt. 86th Regt., m. Henrietta Boileau, and had issue:
  - John Theophilus Ussher, Major-Genl. (retired), born 1823, m. Annabella Ross, and had issue :
    - [1] Capt. Beverly R. Ussher m. Elizth. Darcy.
    - [2] John Kenneth Ussher, d.y.

- [3] Alfred Lestock Ussher, Lieut. 22nd Regt.
- [4] Hamilton O'Brien Ussher, Lieut. 3rd Batt. Gordon Highlanders.
- [5] Allan Vesey Ussher, Lt. and Adjt. 26th Regt.
- (2) Beverly Ussher of Dublin, m. Charlotte E. Smyth, and has issue :
  - Mary Evelyn Ussher.
     George Neville Ussher.
     Charlotte Eliz.
     Emily Georgina.
- (3) Henrietta Jane Ussher, d.y.
- (4) Henrietta Fanny Jane Ussher, d.y.
- (5) Simeon Ussher of Dublin m. Mary Jane Morris, and had issue:
  - Alma Jane m. Dr. Yeates. [2] Richd. Henry, d.y.
     [3] Henriette. [4] Robt. Morris, Lieut. R.N.
     [5] Anna.
- (6) Charles Ussher, d.y.
- (7) Henrietta Ussher, d.y.
- (8) Henry Ussher, M.D., m. Jane Henrietta Thompson, and has issue:
  - Eleanor Neville. [2] Percival Gaisford. [3] Henry Boileau. [4] Elizth. Jane. [5] Arthur Chas.
- (9) Peter Roe Clarke Ussher.
- (10, 11, 12) Jane Ann; Arabella m. Capt. Buchanan; Henrietta m. Samuel Buchanan.
- (13) James Ussher of Lurgan m. Florence S. E. Smyth, and has issue: [1] Wm. A. [2] James. [3] Neville Boileau. [4] Chas. Butler. [5] Florence. [6] Arnold.
- (14) Brandram Boileau Ussher, M.D., Bishop of the Reformed Episcopal Church, Montreal, m. Elizth-Leonora Thompson, and has issue :
  - Sydney Lahmire. [2] Clarence Douglas. [3]
     Charles E. C. [4] George Richd. [5] Elizth. Henrietta. [6] Warwick Wellesly Ussher.

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6. Charles Ussher, d. in London.

7. Ellen Ussher.

John Ussher, M.D., m. secondly, Miss Miler, and had issue :

8. Jane Ussher m. Chas. Henry Leet, M.D., and had issue :

(1) Elizabeth Isabel.

(2) Georgina Jane m. Dr. Palk of Southampton.

- (3) Ambrose Wellesley Leet, D.D., Incumbent of Baggotrath Church, Dub.
- (4) Emma Bulkeley Leet m. Henry B. Johnson, London.
- (5) Chas. H. Leet, M.D.
- (6) John Ussher Leet.
- (7) Edward Wilberforce Leet, R.N.
- (8) Mary Rosalie Leet, d.y.
- 9. Eliza Ussher, d. unmd. 1885.

John Ussher, merchant, of St. Miehan's parish, Dublin, born between 1690 and 1696, obtained the freedom of Dublin, at Michaelmas 1718, by service. He is believed to have been a son of Archdeacon Adam Ussher, Rector of Clontarf, though owing to the Archdeacon having left no will, and the Clontarf Registers of that period having perished, documentary proof of it is not as yet forthcoming. John Ussher m. by Prerog. Lic., 5th Nov., 1725, Sarah Murphy, spinster, of Blessington, Co. Wicklow, bap. in Blessington Church, 27th Oct. 1709. She was dr. of Richard Murphy, gent., of Blessington, who in his will proved 1725, appointed Rev. Philip Welsh of Blessington, and John Caldwell, gent., of Dublin, exors., and leaves his mother, Mrs. Anne Murphy, £20 per ann., his wife Anne ' to enjoy the house at Blessington where I now live, 'etc., and £50 per ann.; plate left to wife and 2 drs. Anne and Sarah Murphy, equally ; he to be buried at Blessington; £30 to y° poor of said p'sh; sisters Anne Jenkins, Elizabeth Evans, Mariabella Bruce, £10 each; to Mr. Patrick Cockburn and widow Anne Cockburn, £10 each; to nephew George Bruce £10; to niece Mariabella Bruce, £10; nephew David and niece Anne Evans £5 each; niece Mariabella Jenkins £10; to Thos. Parsons, apprentice to Aldn. Bolton, £100 when 21 years old; to my wife my flock of sheep. 27th Nov., 1724. Crest on seal, a Lion rampant, Thos. Pocklington, overseer of will.

Ja. Gratton, witness.

with coat of arms.

It appears from a deed of 30th May, 1783, between Rev. John Ussher of Clontarf and Lord Hillsborough, that in 1678 the Lord Archbp. of  $Dub_{ed}$ and Morogh, Ld. Blesinton demised to David Murphy, mercht., deed.,  $a_{t,e}$ plot, etc., for 3 lives, and that sd. Morogh, Ld. Blesinton on 25th March, 1699, demised to Richard Murphy, gent., only son and heir of sd. David Murphy, a piece of ground, etc. at Blessington; these are all vested in the Rev. John Ussher. Again in a deed dated 20th March, 1784, the Rev. John Ussher assigns for his wife to J. M'Laughlin  $\frac{1}{2}$  a lot of ground in Handbury Lane, Thomas Court, and also a moiety of a piece of ground at the rere of sd. lot, with a little tenement, called Mill House, all which were formerly devised by John Usher, late of the city of Dublin, and Sarah his wife, both decd., to John Cole the elder and younger, and Robt. Cole, and also, etc., demised by sd. John Usher, decd., to Mary Lyon of Dublin, widow, and Chrpr. Hearn of same.

John Ussher appears to have resided afterwards in the parishes of St. Audoen's and St. Anne's; he had issue by his wife Sarah:

I. George Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's, 26th March, 1735, d.y.

II. Alice Ussher, bap. St. Audoen's, 26th March, 1735, d.y.

III. John Ussher, born in Dublin, 16th April, bap. St. Audoen's, 20th April, 1736, "son of John and Sarah Ussher," of whom below.

IV. Sarah Ussher, bap. St. Ann's, 8th June, 1739.

V. Elizabeth Ussher, bap. St. Ann's, 30th June, 1740.

VI. Alice Ussher, bap. St. Ann's, 1st April, 1743.

VII. Charles Ussher, bap. St. Ann's 13th July, 1744.

Children of John and Sarah Ussher.

All these probably died young, except John Ussher, the third child.

Of John's and Sarah's deaths we have no record, unless he be the same as a Mr. John Usher, Mathematician, who died in William Street, Dublin, 21st March, 1767 (*Pue's Occurrences*).

The Rev. John Ussher was educated by the famous Mr. Ball, the schoolmaster, and entered T.C.D. at the age of 17, in 1754, being registered as "the son of John Ussher, mercht." He was B.A. in 1760. He was ordained probably for the Curacy of Clontarf in 1760 and succeeded to the Rectory in

1766, on the death of the Rev. Frederick Ussher, whose will, as well as that of Frederick's wife, he signed as witness. He was twice married, first in 1757, to Maria Amelia Ann . . . by whom he had issue one son, John Ussher, of whom below.

In 1788 "the Rev. John Ussher of Clontarf and Elizabeth Travers of Phippsborough, spinster, did lease the lands of Glendalough, held from the Archbp. of Dublin."

He m. secondly the above Elizabeth Travers, who d.s.p. before him.

Rev. John Ussher died 26th of Jan., 1829, at the great age of 93, and was buried in Clontarf Churchyard, where a headstone is erected to his memory, with this inscription: "Erected to the memory of the Rev. John Ussher, by his grandson, Charles Ussher, an humble tribute to the venerated shade of a kind and affectionate parent." His will and codicil proved 1829, leaves to "my beloved wife, Elizabeth Ussher, for and during her life my lease from Mrs. Ann Clarke of a field in the Green Lane in the parish of Clontarf, on which I built 2 cabins, and all my plate, also the sole use of the emolument due to me in the Bank of Ireland, and then to my grandchildren Charles, Jane, and Elizabeth, respectively, £900, £1,000, and £1,000; also to my lease of Glandelagh from the Archbp. of Dublin, also the interest of long annuity bonds in the Bank of England, and then to Lieut. John Ussher of the 66th Regt., my grandson; wife and Erwin M'Alpin, Exors." By a codicil two granddaughters, Jane and Eliza., along with wife, to be exors.

"Mrs. Elizabeth Ussher, aged 84 years, of Clontarf, buried 28th December, 1826, by Rev. Charles Molloy, Rector of Clontarf." (Clontarf P'sh Reg.)

- The Rev. John Ussher, by his first wife, Maria Amelia Ann, had issue: 1. John Ussher of Dublin, and afterwards of Woodpark, Co. Dublin, and M.D. (Edinburgh), born Thursday, 8th June, 1758, who d. 12th July, and was buried 15th July, 1823, aged 65, m. first, 20th March, 1789, Lucinda Parkinson, widow (dr. of Irwin McAlpin, his partner from 1803 to 1814), who died 15th July, 1800, and by her had issue:
  - Arabella Ussher, born 3rd Jan., 1790, m. Rev. Chas. Mulloy, 6th March, 1810, in St. Peter's Church, Dublin, and d. 13th Oct., 1818. Rev. Chas. Mulloy, younger son of Coote

Mulloy of Boyle, Co. Roscommon, succeeded the Rev. John Ussher as Rector of Clontarf, in 1811, d. May, 1832, and is buried at Collooney, Co. Sligo, of which he became Rector.

- 2. John Ussher, born 3rd Feb., 1794, Lt.-Col. 66th Regt., served for many years in the 66th, 50th and 95th Regts., was present with the 66th at the occupation of Paris by the allied Powers in 1815, and served with it under Sir David Ouchterloney in the Nepaulese Campaign, 1816-17, and also in conjunction with the 20th Regt., when forming guard over Napoleon Bonaparte during his captivity in St. Helena, from 1817 to 1821, afterwards served in North America, the Mediterranean, Ceylon and South Australia; he m. Margaret, dr. of John Connor, Solicitor, of Co. Roscommon, in 1837, and had issue:
  - (1) John George Ussher, deceased.
  - (2) George Skeffington Ussher.
  - (3) James Henry Neville Ussher, Surgeon-Major, A.M.D., served in the Ashantee Expedition (medal and clasp), also in the South African war (medal). B.A. and M.B., Dub., 1866; Ch.M. (1st place), 1867, m. the dr. of Ven. Archdeacon Cox, Rector of Glencolumbkill, and resides at St. Helen's, Ramelton.
- 3. Henry Ussher, Lieut. R.N., died s.p. in China.
- 4. Amelia Ussher m. W. Pasley.
- 5. Richard Beverly Ussher, born in Dame Street, Dublin, 14th Feb., 1798, Capt. 86th Regt., served also in the 53rd Regt., and retired from the Service by the sale of his commission; he m. in St. Peter's Church, Dub., 3rd Aug., 1822, Henrietta Boileau, born 20th Oct., 1798, dr. of John Theophilus Boileau, of Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin, a descendant of Charles Boileau, a Huguenot refugee, who d. 1733, and was eldest son of Jacques Boileau, 10th Baron Boileau de Castelneau, near Nismes, and descended from

Etienne Boileau, who was appointed by Louis IX., in 1255, to be Grand Provost of Paris; another ancestor, Jean Boileau, was ennobled in 1371, by Charles V. The younger brother of Charles Boileau remained a Roman Catholic, and became the eleventh Baron; from him the present Baron is sixth in descent. Capt. Ussher had issue by her, of whom see below.

- 6. Charles Ussher, born 4th Sept., 1799, d.s.p.
- 7. Ellen Ussher.

The prerog. will of John Ussher, M.D., pr. 1823, leaves legacies to his son John, Lieut. 66th Regt., his son Richd., Ensign 86th Regt., his son Charles; his drs. Jane, Ellen and Eliza, and his father; Rev. John Ussher, and also Amelia Ussher als Pasley.

John Ussher, M.D., m. 2ndly Miss Miler, dr. of John Miler, mercht., and had issue :

- 8. Jane Ussher m. Chas. Henry Leet, M.D., of 119 Upper Rathmines, Dublin, and had issue.
  - Elizabeth Isabel. (2) Georgina Jane m. Dr. Palk of Southampton. (3) Rev. Ambrose Wellesley Leet, D.D., Incumbent of Baggotrath Church, Dub., Ex-Sch. and Senr. Moderator, T.C.D. (4) Emma m. Henry Bulkeley Johnson, London. (5) Charles Henry Leet, M.D., A.M.D. (6) John Ussher Leet. (7) Edward Wilberforce Leet, R.N. (8) Mary Rosalie Leet, d. in infancy.

9. Eliza Ussher, d. unmd.

We now return to Capt. Richard Beverly Ussher, who had issue by his wife, Henrietta.

 John Theophilus Ussher, Major-General, retired, born 4th Sept., 1823, entered the army in May, 1843, and was retired on becoming a full Colonel in 1880, having then completed nearly 38 years service on full pay. He served in the field, in the Campaign of 1844-5, in the Southern Mahratta Country,

with the 22nd Regt., and was present at the capture of the forts of Panala and Pawangarh, also in India during the mutiny of 1857-8, with the 87th Regt., and in the Murree Hills when that station was attacked by a large force of hill men; served on board the ship, Eastern Monarch, with a large detachment of invalids when she blew up and was destroyed by fire on 3rd June, 1859, at which time he lost everything he had on board; was for many years a Staff Officer of Pensioners, and had to retire on account of age. He m. Annabella, only dr. of Capt. Kenneth Tolmie Ross, 13th and 66th Regts., and has issue:

- Capt. Beverly Wm. Reid Ussher, 7th Dragoon Guards, served in the Zulu War and Egypt, and obtained South African Medal with 1878-9 clasp, m. 9th May, 1887, Lizzie, 2nd dr. of Matthew P. Darcy, D.L., Kilcroney, Bray, Co. Wicklow, and has issue:
- [2] John Kenneth Ussher, died young at Bombay.
- [3] Alfred Lestock Ussher, late Lieut. 22nd Regt., retired from ill health on pension.
- [4] Hamilton O'Brien Ussher, Lieut., 3rd Batt. Gordon Highlanders, served in Bechuanaland with Methuen's Horse.
- [5] Allan Vesey Ussher, Lieut. and Adjt. 26th Cameronian Regt.
- (2) Beverly Ussher, born 7th Sept., 1824, of Charlemont Place, Dublin, m. Charlotte Emilia Smyth, and has issue:
  - Mary Eveline Ussher. [2] George Neville Ussher. [3] Charlotte Elizabeth Ussher. [4] Emily Georgina Ussher.

- (3) Henrietta Jane Ussher, born 25th Dec., 1825, died at Barbadoes 20th Nov., 1826.
- (4) Henrietta Fanny Jane, born 8th Feb., 1827, in Trinidad, d. 8th Aug., 1828.
- (5) Simeon Ussher of Dublin, born 6th July, 1828, m. Mary Jane Morris, dr. of Robert Morris of Lurgan, and d. 4th Dec., 1863, leaving issue :
  - Alma Jane Ussher, m. 1888, G. W. Yeates, M.B., 25 Lr. Baggot St., Dublin.
  - [2] Richard Henry Ussher, decd.
  - [3] Henriette Ussher.
  - [4] Robert Morris Ussher, Lieut. R.M.I.
  - [5] Anna Ussher.
- (6) Charles Ussher, born 25th June, 1830, died 3rd Feb., 1832.
- (7) Henrietta Ussher, born 21st Aug., 1831, died 12th Sept., 1831.
- (8) Henry Ussher, M.D., formerly Assist. Surgn. R.N., now of Wandsworth, Surrey, born 8th Jan., 1833, m. Jane Henrietta Thompson, and had issue: [1] Ellinor Neville Ussher. [2] Percival Gaisford Ussher.
  [3] Henry Boileau Ussher. [4] Elizabeth Jane Ussher. [5] Arthur Chas. Ussher.
- (9) Peter Roe Clarke Ussher, born 26th March, 1834, an eminent Wesleyan minister in Australia.
- (10) Jane Anne Ussher, born 22nd Nov., 1835, d. 10th Jan., 1861.
- (11) Arabella Ussher, born 28th May, 1837, m. Capt. Buchanan.
- (12) Henrietta Ussher, born 3rd Nov., 1839.
- (13) James Ussher of Lurgan, Co. Down, Solicitor, born 14th May, 1842, m. Florence Sarah Eleanor Smyth, and had issue: [1] William Albert Ussher. [2] James Ussher. [3] Neville Boileau Ussher. [4] Charles

Butler Ussher. [5] Florence Eleanor Marian Ussher. [6] Arnold Ussher.

(14) Brandram Boileau Ussher of Montreal, Canada, born 6th Aug., 1845, M.D. of Illinois, Bishop of the Reformed Episcopal Church for Canada and Newfoundland, 1882.

According to the "Canadian Biography of Public Men," published by the Rose Co. Toronto, Dr. Brandram Ussher, when still under age emigrated to America, where he studied medicine in the University of Michigan, and finally became M.D. in Illinois and practised for over ten years in Aurora city, Illionis. Under the license of Bishop Whitehouse he became a lay reader and was urged to enter the ministry of the American Church. Finally, however, on theological grounds he joined Bishop Cummins, who had seceded from that Church, and taken steps to organize the "Reformed Episcopal Church." Dr. Ussher was ordained Deacon in that Body 9th June, 1874, and Presbyter 16th July, 1876, by Bishop Cheney, and has been Pastor of St. Bartholomew's. Montreal, since 1878. In 1882, on the 19th June he was consecrated a Bishop at the Reformed Episcopal Church of Holy Trinity, Southend, England, by Right Rev. T. H. Gregg, M.D., D.D., who is Bishop of the "Reformed Church of England." Bishop Ussher has charge of the congregations in Canada and Newfoundland. He m. 16th July, 1867, in Chicago, Elizabeth Leonora, 3rd dr. of Rev. Skeffington Thompson of Broomfield, near Lucan, Ireland, and granddaughter of the late Skeffington Thompson of Rathnally, Co Meath, by Anna Maria, only child and heiress of Thomas Carter of Rathnally. Thomas Carter was descended from the eldest son of the Right Hon. Thomas Carter, Irish Master of the Rolls and Secretary of State, whose father was Sergeant-at-arms in Dublin under Wm. III. Mrs. Ussher's mother, Elizabeth Margaret D'Arcy, was a lineal descendant of Sir John D'Arcy of Platten, Co. Meath, Lord Justice of Ireland in the 14th century.

Bishop Brandram Ussher by his wife Elizabeth has had issue twelve children of whom six survive, viz.:

 Sydney Lahmire Neville Ussher. [2] Clarence Douglas Ussher. [3] Charles Edward Cheney Ussher. [4] George Richard Beardmore Ussher. [5] Elizabeth Henrietta Ussher. [6] Warwick Wellesley Ussher. •

## CHAPTER XV.

## COLONEL BEVERLY USSHER AND THE USSHERS OF KILMEADON AND BALLINTAYLOR, CO. WATERFORD.

Pedigree of the Descendants of Beverly Ussher.

BEVERLY USSHER, Lt.-Col., 1649, d. 1683, m. 1st, Joan, dr. of Sir Percy Smyth, by his first wife, Mary Meade, and had issue :

> I. MARY USSHER, m. 1666, Francis Smyth of Rathcoursey, Co-Cork, and had issue.

The abovenamed Beverly Ussher m. 2ndly, Grace, dr. of Sir Richard Osborne (she m. 2ndly, 1684, Nicholas Dale), and had issue :

II. BEVERLY USSHER of Kilmeadon m. Elizabeth . . . and had issue :

1. Beverly Ussher, junr., of Kilmeadon, born about 1700, m. 1st, Mary Lysaght, and had issue :

1. Mary Ussher m. John Congreve.

- 2. Elizabeth Ussher m. Bolton Lee.
- 3. Anne Ussher, born 1737, d. unmd.

Beverly Ussher, junr., m. 2ndly, Elizabeth Shuldham, and had issue :

4. Elizabeth Catherine Ussher m. Henry Alcock of Wilton.

III. JAMES USSHER of Ballintaylor, d. 1729, m. 1st, Jane Donnellan, 1701, and had issue:

1. John Ussher of Ballintaylor, M.P. for Dungarvan, d.s.p. 1747.

 Rev. Arthur Ussher, Missionary, S.P.G., m. 2ndly, Catherine Keily, having previously m... by whom he had issue:

1. John Ussher, d.y.

2. Hannah Ussher m. Thos. Browne.

111. Richard Ussher, d.s.p.

IV. Beverly Ussher of Canty, m. 1750, Melian Roche, and had issue:

1. John Ussher of Canty, m. Susanna Hearne, and had issue :

(1) Anne Ussher m. Arthur Quin, and had issue :

- [1] John Quin. [2] Arthur Quin. [3] Edward Ussher Quin.
- (2) Amelia Ussher m. John Musgrave Hearne.
- 2. Melian Ussher m. . . . Hearne.
- 3. Jane Ussher m. George Boate of Duckspool.
- 4. Isabella Ussher m. Roger Dalton who d. 1803.
- v. Anne Ussher m. Thomas Grant of Kilmurry.
- v1. Jane Ussher m. John Osborne Odell, and had issue.
- VII. Isabella Ussher m. Jonas Blackall, and had issue.
- vIII. Susanna Ussher, d. 1770, m. Christopher Musgrave, and had issue:

The abovenamed James Ussher of Ballintaylor, m. 2ndly, Mary Congreve, and had issue:

1X. Rebecca Ussher m. Ambrose Power.

- IV. Capt. JOHN USSHER, of Lumley's Regt. of Horse, m. 1714, Mary, dr. and heiress of Lord St. George, and had issue :
  - St. George Ussher St. George, Lord St. George of Hatley St. George, d. 1775, m. 1752, Elizabeth, dr. and heiress of Christopher Dominick of Dominick Street, Dublin, and had issue:
    - 1. Hon. Emilia Olivia St. George, m. 1775, Robert Wm., 2nd Duke of Leinster, and had issue.
  - 11. Olivia Ussher m. Arthur French of Tyrone, Co. Galway.
  - 111. Judith Ussher m. Gorges Lowther of Kilbrew.
  - V. JUDITH USSHER, m. 1696, Robert Taylor of Ballynort, Co. Limerick.
- VI. ISABELLA USSHER m. Edward Hubbart of Cappagh.
- VII. ANNE USSHEB, m. 1704, Sir Thomas Osborne, Bart., and m. 2ndly, Francis Skiddy.
- VIII. Capt. ARTHUR USSHER, of the 8th Regt. of Foot, m. Lucy Taylor, and had issue, of whom in Chap. XVI.

This family use the same Crest and Arms as the Eastwell family, and as motto, "Amor vincit omnia."

Beverly Ussher, fifth son of Arthur Ussher of Donnybrook, (Deputy Clerk of the Privy Council, and eldest son of Sir Wm. Ussher, senr.), was born about 1618, entered the army, and was a Lieut.-Colonel in 1649, as appears by his claim to arrears of pay made after the Restoration. In Vol. XLII., *Carte Collection* (Bodl. Lib.), is a King's Letter appointing him Corporal or Captain of the Field.

"Charles R.

"Right trusty and Right wellbeloved Councell<sup>rs,</sup> and right trusty and right welbeloved cousins and councelo<sup>rs.</sup> We greet yo<sup>u</sup> well. Having received very good testimony of the constant Loyalty and good affections to our service of our trusty and welbeloved Beverly Usher, Esq., Wee have thought fitt in consideration thereof to grant unto him the office of Corporall of the field to our standing Army in that our Kingdome. Our will and pleasure therefore is that you cause Letters Patent to be passed under the great seale there, containing our grant unto him the s<sup>d</sup> Beverly Ussher of the said office with all such Fees, Wages, Allowances, Entertainments, Rights, Priviledges, Proffitts and Emoluments to the s<sup>d</sup> office or place belonging as Capt. John Pikeman or any other enjoyed the same by virtue of the s<sup>d</sup> place to have and to hold the same for and during his Naturall life. And for so doing these our Letters shalbe your sufficient warrant, given at our Court at Whitehall, this 2nd day of July, 1661, in the 13 yeare of our Reigne.

> " By his Ma<sup>ty's</sup> Command, "Edw. Nicholas.

"Grant to Beverly Usher of ye office of Corporall of the field."

In MS., Vol. F, p. 272, relating to the Irish Establishments, is the name of Lieut. Beverly Ussher, 1662.

On the Restoration of Chas. II., Lt.-Col. Beverly Ussher appears to have settled in the Co. Cork, at Ballyfinn, where he obtained a grant of land in 1667, 19th Chas. II., viz. : 19 townlands, *i.e.*, Inegragy Castle, etc., 200 acres; Scarriffe, 120 acres; Knockestruckin, Teadmore and Ballycarrane, 48 acres, bar. Imokilly, Co. Cork. Total grant 800 acres plantation (1,295A. 3R. 19P. stat.), Totat Rent, £12 2s.  $11\frac{2}{3}d$ . 28th Nov., 19th Charles II.

A letter of his to Sir Daniel Bellingham of Dublin says :

"SIR,—In Mr. ffalcon bridge's absence I have appointed this bearer, Mr. Phillips, to act as agent for the troope to receive the six Monethes pay which is now due to me as Corporall of the feild; if wee have assignments in the country I intreat you that they may be as neere our quarters as you can con-

veniently for I expect my Lord Leubtents landing there, and I would willingly have the troope in a ready posture to attend him.

"Rosse, Sept. 23rd, 1664,

"Yor. humble Servant,

"ffor Sir Daniel Bellingham, "Knt. these."

"BEVERLY USSHER.

In MS. Vol. D relating to the Irish Establishments, p. 24, we find under " Offices General-

"Lt.-Coll. Beverly Ussher for his entertainment as one of ye Corporalls of ye field to ye army at 5s. p.d. for 365 days, ending ye last of Sept., 1665, ye first in full, ye other in part by way of Imprest £68 0s. 0d." Also page 441.

"Provinciall.

" Lt.-Coll. Beverly Ussher in full satisfaction of all ye arrears of pay to be to him as Lt. to ye foot Company formerly under ye commde. of ye Earle of Ossory in his Majeties army in Ireland from ye 21 Oct., 1661, to ye 27 July, 1662 by wart dated 24th of March, 1662.

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An indenture of Col. Ussher's and 2 others runs as follows : it was part of the grant to them on behalf of the 49 officers at Kilmeadon :

"Beverly Ussher, Arthur Dillone. John Smyth, to John Linegar.

This Indenture made the 8 and 20th day of ffeb. in the year of our Lord 1667 and in the 20th year of the Reign of our Royal Sovereign Lord Charles II. by the grace of God, of England, Scotland, France and Ireland King, Defender of the faith, etc.

"Betweene Beverly Ussher of Ballyfinin in the County of Cork, Esq., Arthur Dillon of Lismullen in the Co. Meath, Esq., and John Smyth of Ballynetra in the Co. of Waterford, Esq., on the one part and John Linegar of the City of Dub., facter of the other-Witnesseth that whereas the said Beverly Ussher, Arthur Dillon, and John Smyth, by these deeds Indented bearing date the day next before the date of these presents for and in consideration of the sum of five shillings stlg. to them the sd. B. U., A. D., and J. S. payed by the said John Linegar, did bargaine and sell unto the said John Linegar all that old timber house slated and a small yard situate on the Wood Key, in the City of Dublin, now or late in the possession of Nicholas Hanshawen and returned, to have been formerly the property of Sr Luke Fitzgerald, Knt., with all and singular ways, gardens, waters, casements, advantages and emoluments whatsoever to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and rev'ns, remainder and rem'rs of all and sing'lar the premisses and all rents and profits whatsoever of the p'misses or reserved upon any demise made thereof or of any p't or parcell thereof £250.

"Witnessed Wm. Smyth, John Izard, Robt. Carew."

In the Ormonde Papers in the Hist. MSS. Com. Report it is stated that, "Ann Cottell of New Ross, Co. Wexford, widow, had exemption from providing quarters for Col. Ussher's troop, 25 June, 1664."

In 1668 Beverly Ussher seems to have settled at Kilmeadon, Co. Waterford, which he rented from Lord Doneraile's ancestor. An indenture of Joseph Fox, gent., to Coll. Beverly Ussher, dated 5th Aug., 1668, is in the Irish Record Office, and states that "Joseph Fox, gent., of Grings, Co. Tipperary, to Beverly Ussher of Ballyfyns, Co. Cork, Esq., did sell his lands granted by King Chas. II. in Ballynacury, 368 acres of profitable land plantation measure; Ballydesert, 548 acres; Shannakill North, 166 acres; Upper Ballycloghy, 1,709 acres; Ballynapp, 34 acres; Thomastown, 348 acres; Knockinreahy, 95 acres; Glounonore, 556 acres, in the Bar. of Upper Third, Co. Waterford. Joseph Fox for £800 pa'd by Beverly Ussher, doth release and confirm to B. U. these lands in his actual possession, being by virtue of a bargain and sale to him thereof and by transfer to B. U. and his heires. Witnessed John Osborne, H. Osborne, and Michl. Hunt."

Another document written by Beverly Ussher to Arthur Podmore (Pursuivant) says: "I, Lt.-Coll. Beverly Ussher, Lieut. to his Grace y<sup>e</sup> Duke of Ormond troope do by these pres'nts appt. Arthur Podmore of Dublin, gent. my Attorney to receive warrants for pay of y<sup>e</sup> sd troop. 16th March, 1677."

A letter of Coll. Beverly Ussher, from Dublin to the Duke of Ormonde, dated Oct. 16th, 1675, is preserved in the Ormonde MSS. at Kilkenny Castle.

The will of Colonel Beverly Ussher proved at Waterford 1st June, 1683, says:

"I, Beverly Ussher of ffeddanes, Co. Waterford, Esq., wish my interment to be according as my well-beloved friends and kinsmen, John Osborne of Ballintaylor, Esq., Arthur Ussher of Osbertstown, Esq., and Richd. Smyth of Ballynatra, Esq., shall judge.

"Item : my eldest son Beverly Ussher to be sole exor., and if I die before he reach competent years, friends above mentioned to act.

"I leave my estate according to the deed and settlement made Twentieth May, 1681, and £80 p. ann. to my wife Grace Ussher.

"To my brother-in-law, John Osborne of Ballyntaylor, the custody and Tuition of my son Beverly.

"To my wife the household goods, plate and coach and four of my best coach horses; my daughter Judith  $\pm 300$  at 18 years of age,  $\pm 20$  p. ann. for her education and maintenance; to my dr. Isabella  $\pm 200$  and  $\pm 15$  per ann. for her education and maintenance; to my dr. Ann  $\pm 200$  and  $\pm 10$  per ann.

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for her education and maintenance; if my wife be with child £200 to the child. To my eldest son Beverly the remainder.

"Item : I reserve and bequeath to my daughter Mrs. Mary Smyth, wife to Francis Smyth of Rathcoursie, etc. 4th May, 1683."

(Seal with arms.)

Col. Beverly Ussher m. first, Joan, dr. of Sir Percy Smyth, Knt., of Ballinatray, by his first wife Mary, dr. of Robert Meade, Constable of Broghill Castle, Co. Cork, whom he married Feb. 28th,  $162^{\circ}_{1}$  (cf. Boyle's Diary); by her, who d. 1633, he had issue :

- I. Mary Ussher, m. Francis Smyth of Rathcourcy, Co. Cork (the Cloyne Mar. Bond is dated 9th June, 1666) and son of Francis Smyth by Anne, dr. of Sir Francis Kingsmill of Ballybeggin, Co. Cork. She had issue by him :
  - 1. Francis Smyth, m. 1692, Isabella, dr. of Rev. John Rugge of Ballydaniel, Co. Cork, and had issue, of whom below.
  - 11. Piercy Smyth of Ightermorough, m. . . . Oliver, sister to Robt. Oliver of Clough, Co. Limerick.
  - 111. William Smyth.
  - IV. Rev. Ussher Smyth, born 1680, educated by Edmond Molloy in Co. Cork, entered T.C.D. 2nd Feb., 1699; Sch. 1702; B.A. 1703; Vicar Choral of St. Finbar's, Cork, 1711, m. . . . and had a dr. Mary.
  - v. Mary Smyth, m. 9th Sept., 1695, Ven. Dominick Meade, Rector of Rathcoursey and Archdn. of Cloyne, youngest brother of Sir John Meade of Ballintubber, and had issue, Percy and Anne. From Anne are descended the Ryes of Ryecourt, Co. Cork.

Francis Smyth, junr., by his wife, Isabella Rugge, had issue, with Beverly, Wm. and two drs, John Smyth of Rathcoursey, buried in Cloyne 5th Feb., 1754, m. 1720, Henrietta, dr. of Michael Gould, d. 24th Sept., 1774, and bad issue, with a dr., James Tynte Smyth of Rathcoursey, d. 1806, m. Juliana, dr. of Robt. Armstrong of Roschill, and had issue, John Smyth of Rathcoursey and eight others.

John Smyth, the eldest son, m. 1831, his cousin Mary Smyth, and had issue John James Smyth, now of Rathcoursey, born 1831, m. Jone, dr. of Wm. Mason of Derrylohan, and has issue, John Henry Gordon Smyth, born 1885, and 5 drs.

Beverly Smyth of Ightermorrow, 2nd son of Francis Smyth and Isabella Rugge, was barbarously burned in his own castle by a band of robbers from Cloyne, by being placed on a gridiron over the fire to make him tell where

his money was deposited, from the effects of which treatment he died in his nephew's house at Rathcoursey about Aug. 7th, 1772.

Col. Beverly Ussher m. 2ndly, Grace, dr. of Sir Richard Osborne, Bart., of Ballintaylor, Co. Waterford (who d. 1667, leaving issue 3 sons and 3 drs. The eldest dr. m. Col. Ussher; Elizabeth the 2nd, m. Arthur Pomeroy, ancestor to Lord Harberton; the 3rd, Anne, m. Richard Odell; Mrs. Grace Ussher m. 2ndly, by Prerog. Lic. 24th Jan., 1684, Nicholas Dale of Monctown, Co. Wexford). By her he had issue:

- II. Beverly Ussher, senr., mentioned in his father's will 1683 as eldest son and executor. There is some confusion in the printed pedigrees owing to this Beverly being supposed to be same as the one who was M.P. for Co. Waterford and died 1756; the latter being really his son and grandson to Col. Beverly Ussher. The 2nd Beverly left no will, nor is any register of his marriage, nor will nor grant of admon. of his goods to be found, so that the mistake was easily made.
  - He was named among the gentry of the Co. Waterford in the Subsidy Acts of 1695 and 1698. In a Chancery Bill B. U. of Lisnemucky, Co. Limerick, Esq., is said to have been seized in Aug., 1699, of Thomastown, Bar. Upper Third, Co. Waterford, and borrowed £2,000 on it.

There are also a series of Deeds in the Irish Reg<sup>3</sup> of Deeds which throw a little light on his history :

First.—A Lease regd. 23rd Nov. 1713, granted by Beverly Ussher of Shanakill, gent., to James Ussher of Taylorstown, Esq., in which for £600 he aliened Cappagh, etc.

Secondly.—A Lease, 1713, from BeverlyUssher of Lisnemuck, Co. Limerick, gent., to James Ussher of Ballintaylor, Esq., in which it is said that James Ussher at the request of Beverly Ussher, paid to Alan, son and exor. of Sir John Brodrick, £500 in full satisfaction of a judgment against B. U., obtained by Sir John Brodrick in 1705, and for which B. U. did lease to J. U. Cappagh, etc.

Thirdly.—Beverly Ussher of Lisnemuck, gent., and James Ussher, his brother, made an agreement with Edward Hubbart, whereby, 5th Nov., 1714, Edw. Hubbard forthwith is to surrender to Beverly Ussher a lease made to him by Sir John Osborne for 3 lives, of Cappagh, etc., in consideration of a new lease for Edw. and Isabella's lives, in case the reversion of the lands of Ballintaylor come by the death of Lady Osborne to Beverly or James Ussher.

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Fourthly.—1st March, 1714, Beverly Ussher of Lisnemuck, Co. Limerick, gent., Rev. John Pomerov of Cork and John Odell of Killcrumpe, Co. Waterford, gent., 1st pt., James Ussher, 2nd pt. Beverly Ussher and John Odell for  $\pounds 2,000$  pd. to them and J. Pomerov, did sell to James Ussher *lands in the Co. Cork* and Bar. of Imokilly and also Ballemointra, &c., Co. Waterford.

Fifthly.—18th May, 1723, a lease between Beverly Ussher of Waterford, Esq., scnior, one part, and Beverly Ussher, junr. of the same city, gent. of y° other pt, whereby sd. B. U. sen<sup>1</sup>, lessor, did let to B. U., jun<sup>r</sup>, Bolindesert, etc., as same is held by Richd. Power, containing 548 acres in the Bar. of Upper Third for a term of 21 years from the 1st of May, 1736, at £80 per ann.

Sixthly.—An indenture made 30th May, 1724, between Beverly Ussher, senr., of the City of Waterford, Esq., and Daniel Taylor and Joseph Joie of sd. city, gentles, of a lease tripartite between B. U., sen<sup>r</sup>, 1st pt., D. T. and J. J. 2nd pt., and Beverly Ussher, junr., of said city, gent., son and heir apparent of the said Beverly Ussher, sen<sup>r</sup>, 3rd pt.

Seventhly.—A mortgage by way of lease 3rd Aug., 1727, between Beverly Ussher and Beverly Ussher, jun<sup>r</sup>, of Waterford city, gents, 1st pt., and Hon. Hayes St. Leger of Dublin, Esq., whereby B. U., sen and jun<sup>r</sup> aliened and confirmed to H. St. Leger, Ballydesert, etc., Bar. of Upper Third, sur conusance de droit, etc., this term last by B. U., sen<sup>r</sup> and B. U., jun<sup>r</sup>, and Elizabeth, wife of B. U., sen<sup>r</sup>, to Eaton Stannard.

*Eighthly.*—B. U., sen<sup>r</sup> and B. U., jun<sup>r</sup>, of Waterford, 1st part, and John Hern, David Hern and Beverly Hern of Shanakill, Co. Waterford, gts., 2nd pt., by which they got for 5s. Shanakill, Thomastown and Boolyclohy as lately held by J. Hern at  $\pounds$ 70 per ann.

Ninthly.—1st Sept., 1726, Beverly Ussher, jun<sup>r</sup>, of Waterford, gt., 1st pt, John Keane of Ballynecourty, Co. Waterford, gt., other pt. The sd B. U. doth demise to J. K., Garanfadda, etc., at a certain rent, in presence of Arthur Ussher of Cappagh, Esq., and James Martin of Ballynecourty, Clk.; sealed by J. Keane in presence of Mr. Richard Ussher of Taylorstown, gent.

Tenthly.—16th Sept., 1726, Articles by Beverly Ussher, sen., Esq., of Waterford 1st pt., and Richd. Power of Coolnemucky, Co. Waterford, gt., by which B. U. did let to R. Power, Bolindesert, etc.

Thus it appears from the above mentioned deeds that Beverly Ussher, who was a minor in 1683, was married to a lady whose Christian name was Elizabeth, that he was father of Beverly Ussher, jun., in 1723, and that he was resident at Lisnemuck, Co. Limerick in 1714 and in 1723 and onwards in Waterford. It is probable that he was aged about 15 at the time of Col. Ussher's death, and was perhaps born about 1668, so that he may have married in 1698-1700, and his son Beverly Ussher, jun., may have been born about 1701.

Beverly Ussher was High Sheriff of the City of Waterford in 1727, and a Beverly Ussher, Esq., was High Sheriff of the Co. Waterford in 1733 and another in 1751. We have no record of the deaths of Beverly Ussher, sen., and his wife, but he must have died before 1746.

He left issue :

 Beverly Ussher, jun., freeman of Waterford 1725, and M.P. for the Co. Waterford from 23rd Oct., 1735, to Nov. 1757, vice Congreve. He died 1757.

He married first, 26th March, 1733, Mary, dr. of Nicholas Lysaght of Mt. North, Co. Cork, and his wife, Grace (dr. of Col. Thos. Holmes of Kilmallock), and sister of the first Baron Lisle of Mt. North; by her he had issue, 3 drs. and coheiresses :

- Mary Ussher, born 1734, m. John Congreve of Mount Congreve, Kilmeaden, Co. Waterford (M.R. St. Ann's, Dub., April, 1751), grandson of Rev. John Congreve, Rector of Kilmacow, and his wife, Rebecca, dr. of Lt.-Col. Oliver Jones, and had issue, Ambrose Ussher Congreve, whose son, John Congreve, m. Hon. Louisa Dillon, dr. of Lord Clonbrock, and had issue, Ambrose Congreve, D.L., now of Mount Congreve.
- 2. Elizabeth Ussher, born 1735, m. Bolton Lee of Waterford, and had issue, Ussher, born about 1762.
- Anne Ussher, bap. Kilmeadon Church, Co. Waterford, 26th Sept., 1737, m. Simon Newport. "April, 1771. In Waterford, Simon Newport, Esq., to Miss Ussher, one of the co-heiresses of Beverly Ussher, Esq." (Faulkner's Dub. Journal.)

Beverly Ussher, junr., M.P., m. 2ndly (M.L. 1745), Elizabeth, dr. of Edmond Shuldham, senr., of Dunmanway, and his wife . . . MacCarthy, heiress of the MacCarthy More. (Her brother, Edmond Shuldham, m. Judith, dr. of Capt. Arthur Ussher. Samuel, elder brother of Edmond, senr., m. the widow of Adam Molyneux, and had issue, Molyneux Shuldham of Ardtully, Co. Kerry). Beverly Ussher had issue by her:

4. Elizabeth Catherine Ussher, born 1746, m. in Waterford,

6th Sept., 1766, Capt. Henry Alcock of Wilton Castle, Co. Wexford, and had issue: (1) Wm. Congreve Alcock, M.P., Co. Wexford, d.s.p. (2) Harry Alcock of Wilton, born 1792, m. Margaret, d. and h. of James Savage, and had issue:

[1] Harry Alcock now of Wilton.

[2] Ussher Wm. Alcock, late Lieut. 83rd Regt., also 2 other sons and 5 drs.

"Died at Wexford, on Thursday last, in her 73rd year, Mrs. Alcock, widow of the late Henry Alcock of Wilton, in the Co. Wexford, and one of the co-heiresses of the late Beverly Usher, Esq., one of the Representatives of the Co. Waterford." [Newspaper of 1819.]

Beverly Ussher, junr., who in 1746 was a subscriber to Smith's Hist. of Co. Waterford, survived his 2nd wife, and died at Kilmeaden. In his will proved 1757, he says: "By default of male issue of both my marriages, I am seized in fee simple of Glinamore, Shanakill, Boley, Thomastown, Ballynacurr, Ballygarrett, Kuockneerohy, Ballydiseart, Ballynabb, Scart, Glinavadera, Killeshall, Garranfadda, Knockacullen, East Ballylemons and West, Co. Waterford, which I leave in trust to my friends John Lysaght, of Mt. North, Esq., and Shapland Carew, Esq., of Woodstone; for the eldest dau. of my 1st marriage, Mary Ussher,  $\frac{1}{3}$ ; the rest between my 2nd and 3rd drs. Elizabeth and Anne, and the only dr. of my 2nd marriage, Elizabeth Catherine. In default of their issue, then to my uncle Arthur Ussher; I received £3,000 with my wife, Elizabeth Shuldham. Kilmeadon is held by lease from Lord Doneraile,"

Dated 30th Sept., 1755. Witnesses John Lyon, etc. Grant of Admon. was given to his dr. Mary Ussher, 31st Dec., 1757.

- III. James Ussher of Ballintaylor, High Sheriff, Co. Waterford, 1725, an Attorney at Law, d. intest., 1729, m. 1st, Jane, dr. of Edmond and Ann Donnellan of Cloghane, Co Roscommon, on 5th July, 1710, and by her had issue:
  - John Ussher, born 1703, educated at Midleton School, Co, Cork, entered T.C.D., 1721; B.A., 1725; studied law in the Middle Temple, London, and was called to the Bar, but settled

at Ballintaylor, and became also agent to the Earl of Burlington, at Lismore. On 30th Sept., 1732, he sent his uncle, Arthur Ussher, of Cappagh, a letter of attorney from London, to act for him. He was elected M.P. for Dungarvan, Co. Waterford, in 1747, and died Jan<sup>3</sup>., 1748, at his house in Lismore. In 1746 he was a subscriber to Smith's Hist. of Co. Waterford. There is a letter of his in the possession of R. J. Ussher, Esq., Cappagh, addressed:

> "To Arthur Ussher., Esq., at Cappagh, "Near Dungarvan, to go by Clonmell, Ireland,

"DR. UNCLE,

## "August ye 28th, 1732.

"I was favour'd with your obliging letter of ye 30th of July, which did not come to my hands as soon as it should by reason of some neglect in ye post, on ye reverse you have a letter of attorney to put Jack Quarry in possion of Knockmoan. I wish him success with it, and think it ye least I could do for one who has been so kind and serviceable to me; I'm really glad it is in my power to oblige him, and am therefore prepared to stand all charges in Cashman's favour, nor am I less pleased that he's chose Treas<sup>r.</sup> of our county with the additional circumstance of its being without the concurrence of ye persons you mention'd in one of your letters whose reign over ye county I'm glad to find is not so compleat as they imagined. In one of your letters you promised to tell me a pleasant story of one of them, but you have forgot it; as to Jack Quarry's accounts I'm convinced there is no occasion for inspecting them; I've too much confidence in his honesty to suspect him in a much greater sum than go's thro' his hands ; I've not given a power in ye letter of attorney to make him a Lease, for that I hold needless, he only desired to hold it till I settl'd at home, and if I then wanted it he would give it up, as both them are uncertain I would fix on no certain term to make a Lease of, but doubt not but he will rely on my promise yt he shall hold it till I want it. Your reasons against engaging any farther with ye young Lady are unanswerable, and I've prevailed much against my inclinations to absent myself from her, but passion must give way to prudence in a matter of such concern; you have obligingly and effectually offered to remove the main objection to my going home, but your offer is too generous to be accepted of. I'm already sufficiently troublesome to you in the management of my affairs. and to be so in your house too I could scarce think of ; if I could dare mention a recompense to you your proposal would be much more agreeable; however I stick close to my books, and am determin'd to return much sooner than I propos'd some time ago. I'm quite at a loss what to do with Berry, he will be ruin'd where is, and what else can I do with him, I write a letter by this Post

which he will not like, and yet I doubt it will have little effect on him so much inclined to be a reprobate as he is: the time of discharging Uniacke's mortgage I leave intirely to you, tho' there occurs a strong objection to discharging it at present, which is  $y^t I$  shall want a considerable sum when I'm going over to compleat my study of Books, furnish me with other necessaries and call me to  $y^e$ Bar; but I must trust to Providence for  $y^t$ . I wish it were in my power to make my correspondence more agreeable to you, but  $y^t$  it is impossible where I am; I've little more to say at present than yt I'm entirely happy in having such a friend as you are, yt I'm highly sensible of all your kindness, and shall make it  $y^e$  business of my life to convince you  $y^t I$  am.

> "Dr Uncle, y<sup>r</sup> obliged and affec. nephew and Humble servt. "Jo<sup>n</sup> Ufsher.

"Present my respects to all my good friends with you.

"I saw in a news paper lately y<sup>t</sup> L<sup>d</sup>y Osborne was robb'd by her servt. of 20 guineas, besides some rings and other trifles, this was done by an English servant, she having discharged Mrs. Dempsy some time before."

From an old MS. case for Counsel, dated after 1750, and in the possession of R. J. Ussher, Esq., we learn that "Sir John Osborn, late of Ballintaylor, Bart., but last of the city of London, deceased, being seized in fee of the lands of Taylorstown als Ballintaylor, Laragh, and Coolatoore, with their subd?nominations, by deeds of lease or other conveyance granted them to James Ussher, late of Taylorstown, Esq., decd, and to his heirs and assigns for ever, at a yearly rent."

James Ussher in 1701, on his marriage with Jane Donnellan, in consideration of  $\pm 500$ , portion paid him with his wife, settled the said lands on himself for life only, the remainder, after securing a jointure for Jane his wife in case she should survive him, to the first and every other son of his marriage. Jane died in her husband's lifetime, and he, about 1720, married Mary Congreve, by whom he had one only child Rebecca Ussher, who received £50 yearly for her maintenance, and is to have a portion of  $\pm 1,000$  charged on other lands. James Ussher died on 29th Oct., 1729, intestate, leaving issue male four sons, John, Arthur, Richard and Beverly. John, his eldest son, then (by virtue of the said settlement) who was soon after called to the Bar, entered into and became seized of the sd. settled lands, and also as heir of James Ussher, became seized of the lands of Cappagh, Ballynehinnery, Knocknecrohy, Garryduffe, and Ballyncarrooly in the tenure and occupation of Arthur Ussher, Esq., East and West Ballymolaleas and Coolatoore, occupied by Mr. John Quarry, Ballynecourty Ballynemointragh and Coolnenaffe occupied by John Keane, Esq., Canty occupied by Mr. Thos. Welsh, Killnefarney in possession of Matt. and Thos. Carreen, Ross and half of Monksland in tenure of Richard Power, gent.

John Ussher was also seized of the lands of Ballyfinn, Co. Cork, in tenure

of Robert Longfield, Esq., and also of Ballywilliam in sd. county, in tenure of James Hanning, gent., etc.

James Ussher left his estate much encumbered by debt, and left his three younger sons and two drs., Isabelia and Susanna, unprovided for.

Of these Arthur Ussher, being ordained a clergyman, and there being no advowson in the family, John Ussher, rather than have his brother condemned to a curacy, made interest in 1736 with the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, to appoint Arthur one of their Missionaries in the Province of Pennsylvania, where Arthur remained many years in great esteem and favour with all ranks of the inhabitants, and from a little before the breaking out of the last war with France and Spain, had no letters from John Ussher, but shortly before that, he received a letter from him desiring him to send some seeds, plants and rarities to be planted at Ballintaylor, which he sent.

Richard Ussher died unmarried, and John Ussher provided for his youngest brother Beverly in the army. Isabella was married to Mr. Jonas Blackall of Limerick, and died some years ago, leaving many children badly off, for whom John Ussher provided during his life; Susanna m. Christopher Musgrave, Esq.

On or about 8th Jan., 1748, as John Ussher was at supper, he was seized with apoplexy, and lingered in a semi-conscious condition until the 14th of Jan., when he died in the forenoon. On the 11th day of Jan. he made a will leaving all his real estate and freeholds to Beverly Ussher, his youngest brother. This will was drawn up and read to him by Mr. Christopher Musgrave before signing, and was witnessed by Christopher Musgrave, Arthur Ussher and Thos. Lowder. A grant of admon. of the goods of John Ussher of Lismore, Esq., was made in same year to Beverly Ussher of Taylorstown.

After John Ussher's death, however, Rev. Arthur Ussher, his next brother, returning from America, instituted proceedings for recovery of the property so bequeathed, but after some litigation the matter was compromised, the lands going to Arthur Ussher, who released them to Beverly Ussher.

A deed dated 11th Dec., 1751, between Beverly Ussher of Ballintaylor and the Rev. Arthur Ussher, of the first part, Christopher Musgrave of Lismore, and Richard Musgrave of Littlebridge, of the second part, and Arthur Ussher of Cappagh, of the third part, states that "Whereas by deeds of lease and release bearing date 4th and 5th July, 1701, between James Ussher of Taylorstown, 1st part, William Ussher of the City of Dublin, and Gilbert Donnellan of Clengaffin in Co. Meath, 2nd part; Ann Donnellan, widow of Edmond Donnellan late of Cloghane in Co. Roscommon, decd., and Jane Donnellan, 3rd dr. of sd. Edmond and Ann, 3rd part, reciting that a marriage was intended between James Ussher and Gilbert Donnellan, the sd. James did convey unto the sd. William Ussher and Gilbert Donnellan the plowlands of Ballintaylor and Laragh. And whereas the sd. James Ussher died many

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years ago, leaving issue by the said Jane, likewise decd., several sons, John Ussher his eldest son and heir, the sd. Arthur Ussher, Richard Ussher, decd. and the said Beverly Ussher, party to these presents, his fourth son, and whereas the sd. John Ussher did by his last will, bearing date 11th Jan., 1748, devise the aforesd. lands, together with several other lands, unto the sd. Beverly Ussher, and soon after died without issue and unmarried. Now this Indenture witnesseth that they, the sd. Bev<sup>y.</sup> Ussher and Art. Ussher, to put an end to controversies, have granted, bargained, sold, released and confirmed unto the said Christopher Musgrave and Richard Musgrave, Ballyntaylor, Laragh, Coolatoor, Glenbeg and Barranastoick and all the estate right, title of Bevy. Ussher and Art Ussher, to have and to hold the sd. premises unto the said Chrisr. Musgrave and Richd. Musgrave, to the use intent that they the said C. M. and R. M. being compleat and perfect tenants to the freehold of the said premises, one or more recoveries may be suffered of same, to which end it may be lawful for the said Arthur Ussher to sue forth and prosecute the said C. Musgrave and R. Musgrave one or more writs of entry sur. Desscisen in lee post before Common Pleas, and the said C. M. and **R.** M. shall appear and enter into the warrant and bond over to warranty the sd. B. Ussher and A. Ussher, etc., etc.

Such recoveries shall operate, be and endure to the use of Art. Ussher.

It shall be lawful for the sd. B. Ussher, during five years from the 25th Sept. last to fell all woods and timber trees on the woodlands of Ballyntaylor and Coolatore; the sd. B. Ussher may reside in the mansion house of Ballyntaylor until the 1st May next.

Sd. B. Ussher may receive all rents that fell due out of said premises to 29th Sept. last, but the sd. Art. Ussher shall be entitled to all rents due from 29th Sept. last.

And this Indenture witnesseth that the sd. Art. Ussher in consideration of the sum of  $\pm 113$  15s. to the said Art. Ussher, now paid, and also for the further consideration of Fifty Pounds, which the sd. Beverly Ussher hath by his Bond secured to the sd. Arthur Ussher, the sd. Arthur Ussher doth for ever remise and release unto the said Beverly Ussher all right, title and interest to all the real estate of inheritance, freehold or personal estate, which the said John Ussher died possessed of, and doth hereby ratify, confirm and allow the will of the said John Ussher.

Signed by

Beverly Ussher  $\phi$ , Arthur Ussher  $\phi$ , Christopher Musgrave  $\phi$ , Richard Musgrave  $\phi$ , Artr. Ussher  $\phi$ .

The following extract from Smith's Hist. of Co. Waterford, second edition, 1774, page 56, gives a description of :--

"Ballyntaylor, the seat of the family of Ussher, and formerly that of the family of Osborne, situated on the S. of this parish (Whitechurch) about three

miles S.W. of Dungarvan. The house was built by Sir Richard Osborne, in 1619, as appears by a coat of arms cut in stone fixed in an adjacent wall with that date. There are considerable plantations of timber trees (besides large adjacent woods) as oak, elms, wall-nut, etc., and also the arbutus, a tree which grows naturally in this kingdom. This and the buckthorn thrives here, becoming considerable large trees.... The fir also flourishes in this place. The late most worthy possessor, John Ussher, Esq. [to whose father it came from his uncle Sir John Osborne] being curious in this way, also planted nurseries of different kinds of Newfoundland spruce....

"A little above the house is an extensive prospect of the adjacent country and sea coast. The gardens lie in slopes on the side of the hill, and are capable of being much improved, nor is water wanting to supply any beauty of that kind. As the late worthy possessor delighted in planting, and other useful improvements, no doubt this seat would have been a considerable ornament to this part of the country had he lived a few years longer."

> Rev. Arthur Ussher, second son of James Ussher, born 1704, educated by Dr. Chinnery at Midleton School, entered T.C.D., 1723; Sch., 1727; B.A., 1727; ordained same year, went to Pennsylvania about 1730, where he laboured under the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel until about 1750. Some letters of his to the Secretary of the S. P. G. are preserved in the Archives of that Society, at 19 Delahay Street, Westminster, and by the kindness of the Secretary, Rev. H. Tucker, M.A., are here subjoined :

> > "To the Rev. Philip Bearcroft,

"Secretary to y<sup>e</sup> Society for the Propagation of the Gospel "in foreign parts at the Charter house, London.

"Rev. Sir,

"On Thursday, y<sup>e</sup> 14th of this instant, y<sup>e</sup> Rev. Mr. Morris arrived at Dover, and I am now preparing to remove to Lewes, for which I desire my h<sup>ble</sup> thanks, may be presented to y<sup>e</sup> Society for this signal instance of their favour, and I take this opportunity of entreating you to accept y<sup>e</sup> same, and shall endeavour to make a proper return for all y<sup>e</sup> past favours of y<sup>e</sup> venerable Society, and for this in particular. Since my last I have baptized 29 children in the counties of Kent and Sussex, and on Christmas day at Dover, had twenty-four communicants. The congregations there daily increase, and I hope they will do so in Sussex, the Dissenters having no teachers in either of y<sup>e</sup> counties, being obliged to come to church, and behaving regularly and decently whilst there. I have drawn on y<sup>e</sup> venerable Society in favour of Mr. Henry Pratt, which I pray may be accepted. As soon as I settle at Lewes,

I shall take care to give vou an account of my reception, and of  $y^e$  state of  $y^e$  churches there, which I cannot yet do.

"In ye meantime I conclude, Rev. Sir,

"Your affect. brother, and oblig'd hble servt.,

"ARTHUR USSHER.

"Lewes, March 25th, 1745."

From this letter it would appear that he had charge of the mission of Dover (afterwards held by Bishop Inglis) down to 1745.

The next letter is also addressed to Dr. Bearcroft:-

"REV. SIR,

"Since my last I have visited all y<sup>e</sup> parts of y<sup>e</sup> counties committed to my charge, and have preached at y<sup>e</sup> four several churches, where I constantly have pretty full congregations. I have likewise administered y<sup>e</sup> Communion at three of y<sup>e</sup> churches, and on Easter Sunday at y<sup>e</sup> town church had thirty communicants, at another, on Whit-Sunday, thirty-two, and at a third church, eighteen; so y<sup>t</sup> I may truly say religion flourishes in Sussex County. The number of baptized since y<sup>e</sup> 26th of March are sixty-six. I preach constantly at each of y<sup>e</sup> four churches, sometimes twice a week, and tho' some of them are above twenty miles from my usual place of residence; my mission in effect is an itinerant one, for I dare say there are not four churches in any one mission in America. However, all this I chearfully undergo, so y<sup>t</sup> I may further y<sup>e</sup> salvation of those committed to my care. I have drawn in favour of Mr. Henry Pratt, for fifteen pounds sterling, which, considering my circumstances, I hope will meet with acceptance.

"I am, Rev. Sir, your oblig'd hble servt.,

"ARTHUR USSHER.

"Lewes, June 26th, 1745."

Another letter of the same date says :--

"REV. SIR,

"Since my last of y<sup>e</sup> 26th of March, I have visited my new congregations, by whom I was well received, and shall make it my daily endeavour to express a sense of gratitude to y<sup>e</sup> venerable Society, for their favour in removing me, in answering the end of my mission. The people of Sussex County are a regular sober people, y<sup>t</sup> constantly attend Divine Service. They have four churches in the county, and I distribute my labours amongst them, after this manner, I preach two Sundays in the month at Lewes, one Sunday at the Chappell bordering upon the Province of Maryland, and another at the Chappell bordering upon Kent County; at y<sup>e</sup> other Chappell, I miss a Sunday sometimes from each of the other churches, and preach there of week days

beside. So that my mission is in effect an itinerant one, and all this I do chearfully, for none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear to myself, so  $y^t$  I might finish my course with joy, and  $y^e$  ministry  $y^t$  I have received of  $y^e$  Lord Jesus, to testifie  $y^e$  Gospel of  $y^e$  grace of God. Since my removal into Sussex, which was upon  $y^e$  latter end of March last, I baptized fifty-two white, and four negro children, and at Easter had eighteen communicants at  $y^e$  church at Lewes, and thirty-two on Whit-Sunday at St. George's Chappell, and at St. Matthew's about three weeks agoe, eighteen, so  $y^t$  I may truly venture to say that the churches in Sussex County are in a flourishing condition, etc.

"ARTHUR USSHER."

"In my last, I gave you a just account of  $y^e$  state of my parish, and since have perceived no alteration for  $y^e$  worse; my churches being generally full on Sundays, and many of  $y^e$  Dissenters constantly attending at  $y^e$  different churches of  $y^e$  county. The congregations of Apoquiming and Dover have had a great loss, by  $y^e$  deaths of their ministers, Mr. Pugh and Mr. Morris, but I hope thro'  $y^e$  blessing of God on my endeavours, to keep  $y^e$  congregations in Kent County together till they are supplied from England; having at  $y^e$  request of  $y^e$  Churchwardens of Dover, and with  $y^e$  consent of my Churchwardens, agreed to preach at Dover one Sunday in  $y^e$  month, tho' at  $y^e$  distance of fifty miles from my mission at Lewes. Since my last I have baptized at  $y^e$  several churches 53 children and two adults, and can truly say that our church flourishes; I have drawn for the quarter's salary in favour of Mr. John Reynell, which I hope will meet with acceptance.

> "I am, Rev. Sir, "Your oblig'd h<sup>ble</sup>servt., "ARTHUR USSHER.

## "Lewes, Sept. 25th, 1745."

Thus it would seem that Mr. Ussher was obliged to take temporary charge of his old mission in addition to the new one.

The next letter is also to Dr. Bearcroft-

"REV. SIR,

"It is with great pleasure y<sup>t</sup> I acquaint you of y<sup>e</sup> flourishing state of my churches in Sussex County. The are full on Sundays of devout attendants on our service, and y<sup>e</sup> Dissenters constantly attend, and like our church better than they have done heretofore, so y<sup>t</sup> I am in hopes my congregations will increase daily. The distance of my four churches one from another, and my attendance at Dover once a month, seems too hard for me; but all this I think

little of, being determined to spend y<sup>e</sup> remainder of mv days, in diligently performing y<sup>e</sup> duties of my station, and enlarging y<sup>e</sup> Kingdom of Christ in this world. Since my last, I have baptized 76 children, some of them being y<sup>e</sup> children of Dissenting parents, who having no teacher of their own denomination have applied to me to baptize their children. I have drawn in favour of Mr. John Reynell for a quarter's sallary, my expences in travelling obliging me to draw quarterly, which I pray may be accepted.

"I am, Rev. Sir, your obligd hble servt.,

"ARTHUR USSHER.

"Lewes, Dec. 26th, 1745."

"In my last, I gave you a full account of ye state of ye churches within my mission, and can with great truth assure you, that they are still in a flourishing condition, many of those who have followed Mr. Whitefield's doctrine, having returned to ye churches from whence they had separated; since the 25th of December I have baptized fourty-two infants, and two adults, who were bred Quakers, and have at ye four churches yt I attended in Sussex County, sixty-eight communicants, whose lives and conversations are agreeable to their profession. Since ye death of Mr. Morris I have attended ye churches in Kent once in five weeks (tho' at ye distance of fourty-five miles from Lewes) having first obtained leave from my several congregations to do so, and that without any allowance from ye people of Kent County (not even yt of travelling charges) but ye acceptance and success of my labours, make me submit to this with greater courage and resolution. But withal trust to ye venerable Society, whose capacity of doing good, I pray may enlarge, to make me an allowance for yt service. I have drawn for £15 sterling in favour of Mr. Francis Richardson, which I pray may be accepted. I have nothing to add but yt ye venerable Society would accept my humble thanks for all past favours.

"Am, Rev. Sir, your affect. and oblig<sup>d</sup>. servt.,

" Via Ireland.

"ARTHUR USSHER."

The following extract from a letter to the Secretary of S.P.G., from Mr. Usher, is in Vol. II. of "Historical Collections," relating to the American Colonial Church, by Bishop Perry of Iowa:---

"Lewes, Dec. 26th, 1749.

"Rev. Sir,

"The congregation likewise of Chester have about 10 days ago had a great loss in the death of their worthy Missionary, Mr. Backhouse, and earnestly request the Venerable Society that a Missionary may be sont them who was bred up in the principles of the Church of England, for they, as well

as I, agree in opinion, that those who conform to the Church, from the Dissenting Church, do our Church very little service, being not steadfast in the principles of it."

The Rev. Arthur Ussher did not live very long after his return to Ireland. The will (prerog.) of the Rev. Arthur Ussher, Clk., of Ballintaylor, pr. 1756, directs that he be buried at Whitechurch, Co. Waterford, and bequeaths to Valentine Walsh and James Walsh, jun., of Canty, Ballintaylor, for the use of his wife Catherine Ussher, als Keily, dr. of John Keily of Knockalahin, Esq. (a relative of Richd. Keily who m. Sarah Ussher of Camphire)—he had no issue by his second wife. John and Hannah are the children of his first wife. His brother-in-law Christopher Musgrave is mentioned.

By his first wife (name unknown) he had issue :

- 1. John Ussher, died yourg.
- 2. Hannah Ussher, m. Thos. Browne, gent., of Ballintaylor. There is a deed of 8th Aug., 1767, by which they leased Ballintaylor to Robert Brown of Cappoquin.
- Richard Ussher, 3rd son of James Ussher, born about 1705, d. unmd. before 1748, witness to a deed in 1726.
- IV. Beverly Ussher, Lieut. in the army 1746, and afterwards Colonel of the Waterford Militia, of whom much has been already said, and who in youthful days, by reason of wild companions, was a source of anxiety to his brother John, was born about 1710, and m. 1750, Melian, eldest dr. of the late James Roche of Roach Hill, Co. Waterford, and Melian Holmes his wife, and a relative of the last Lord Fermoy of that period. He died 1777, leaving issue by her:
  - 1. Melian Ussher, m. Mr. . . . Hearne.
  - Jane Ussher, m. George Boate of Duckspool, Dungarvan, and had issue: (1) George Boate. (2) Beresford Boate.
  - Isabella Ussher, m. Roger Dalton of Waterford, who d.s.p., 1803.
  - John Ussher of Canty, near Dungarvan, born in 1751, died in 1809, m. Susanna, dr. of John Hearne, 17th Feb., 1781, and had issue:

- (1) Anne Ussher, m. Arthur Quin of Shanakill Castle, Carrick-on-Suir, and had issue:
  - [1] John Quin, d.s.p.
  - [2] Arthur Quin, d.s.p.
  - [3] Edward Ussher Quin, now of Shanakill Castle, Co. Waterford, m. Caroline, dr. of Rev. Henry Barry, M.A., Fellow of Queen's Coll., Camb., and Rector of Draycott and Upton Scudamore, Wilts, and has issue:
  - [4] Amelia Ussher, m. John Musgrave Hearne of Ballythomas, and has issue one son and two drs.

A Commission was issued to Chas. Humble, Esq., and James Walsh, gt., to swear George Boate, Esq., Exor. named in the will and codicil of Beverly Usher, late of Canty, Co. Waterford, decd., dated 28th Nov., 1777.

Of the drs. of James Ussher of Ballintaylor :

- v. Anne Ussher, m. Thomas Grant of Kilmurry and had issue.
- v1. Jane Ussher, m. John Osborne Odell of Mt. Odell, Co. Waterford, and had issue.
- VII. Isabella Ussher m. Jonas Blackall of Limerick, Solicitor, and had issue. She d. before 1748 (see John Ussher's will). The will of Jonas Blackall of Barne Tihy, Co. Limerick, gent., leaves all to his br. John, his dr. Ellinor Blackall's rights for his dr. Jane, and his sons, John and George, mentions Christopher Musgrave, Esq., of Lismore, and his late wife Isabella Ussher, his brother John to pay £150 to his 3 children, named Christopher Musgrave, and George Tuthill of ffaba, Exors., 1752.
  - A Jonas Blackall, Solicitor, died at Limerick, aged 76, in 1888, leaving a son, Henry Blackall, Solicitor of Limerick, probably great grandson to Isabella Ussher.
- vIII. Susanna Ussher, who d. 1770, m. Christopher Musgrave of Ballyin, Co. Waterford, and had issue :
  - 1. Sir Christopher F. Musgrave, Bart., who by his wife Jane Beere had issue Sir Richard Musgrave, who by Frances

Newcome had Sir Richard Musgrave, who m. F. Yeates, and had issue, Sir Richard J. Musgrave, the present Bart. of Turin.

The above named James Ussher of Ballintaylor, m. 2ndly, Mary, dr. of Rev. John Congreve of Kilmacow (and his wife Rebecca Jones) who survived him and died at Clonmel. Her prerogative will, proved 25th July, 1744, leaves, "My dr. Rebecca Ussher all the estate, etc., and in case of lack of her heirs, to John Congreve, only son of my brother Ambrose Congreve, Esq., decd., Rebecca Power, Elizth. Power, and Ellinor Saunders, James Saunders and Jane Saunders, children of my sister Jane Saunders, decd., share and share alike, if my sd. brother Ambrose's son John die before 21 years of age." Dated 12th Nov., 1743.

By a Chancery decree 1730-1, "Rebecca Usher, a minor, by her next friend, Rebecca Congreve, widow, plff., recovers from John Ussher, Esq., Ambrose Congreve, John Power, and Mary Usher, defts., £1,000, her portion, with interest at £5 p. c. from 29th Dec., 1729, being the time of the death of James Usher, her father, out of Cappagh, Knocknecrohy, Ballynehimery, Garryduffe, Coolnasse, Ballygarrett and Monksland."

> IV. John Ussher, fourth son of Col. Beverly Ussher of Kilmeadon, born about 1682, Cornet 1700 in Lieut.-Genl. Henry Lumley's Regt. of Horse, otherwise the 1st Kıng's Dragoons [cf. MS. Army List, 1704, in War Office] was no doubt with his regt. at Blenheim and through all the great battles under Marlborough, and attained the rank of Captain. For his services in Flanders in the reigus of Wm. and Mary and Queen Anne, he was created Governor of Galway and Vice Admiral of Connaught, and was M.P. for Carrick-on-Shannon from 1715 to 1741. He m. 20th Dec., 1714, Mary St. George, born 10th Aug., 1696, d. May, 1741, dr. and heiress of Sir George St. George, Lord Baron St. George of Headford and his wife, Hon. Margaret Skeffington, dr. of Lord Massareene, and by her had issue, of whom below.

George, Lord St. George of Headford, in his will dated 4th Oct., 1734, pr. 10th June, 1737, desires to be buried in St. Nicholas' Church, Galway, with his ancestors, or in Headford. "To my son, Captain Ussher, and my dr.

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Mary, his wife, both my coaches and my six coach mares; all my plate to my grandson Ussher St. George, Esq.; books, pictures and Arms, etc., to my Exors.; lands to my grandson; to my son Usher and his wife  $\pounds 600$  per ann. in lieu of claims, demands, etc."

In 1721 John Usher, entered a Chancery Bill agst. Lord St. George, which recites the death of Lady St. George in 1711, and the marriage in 1714 at the age of 18 of Mary St. George, with her father's consent, to John Usher, complains that her father had not paid the maintenance charged on his estate, of  $\pounds 80$  p. a.

Capt. John Ussher, who d. in 1741, in which year his will was proved, had issue by Mary, his wife :

 St. George Ussher, who assumed the name of St. George, as heir to his grandfather; born 1715, High Sheriff, Co. Roscommon, 1737; M.P. for Carrick-on-Shannon, 1741-1763.
 He was created Baron St. George, of Hatley St. George, 10th May, 1773, and m. 1752, Elizabeth, dr. and heiress of Christopher Dominick of Dominick St., with a fortune of £30,000 [Pue's Occurrences].

Christopher Dominick, father of Lady St. George, died in 1743, and was buried in St. Mary's Churchyard, Dublin, leaving two children; to his dr. Elizabeth he left his fortune, his books, MSS., ancient coins, medals and curiosities, £1,500 as portion for his dr. Emilia; if his drs. die without issue, to the eldest son of his cousin Dominick Dalton, decd.; mentions cousin Rev. Roger Foley, uncle Andrew Dominick, widow Rebecca Hamilton.

He was the son of Dr. Christopher Dominick, Physician, of Dublin; will pr. 1692, who made a Deed of Trust, 20th April, 1686, to his friends Sir Abell Ram, Knt., Sir John Coghill, Knt., and Andrew Ram, Esq., and another deed in the 4th of Wm. and Mary, of Fisher's Lane, Piphoe's Park, Capell St., Strand St. and Ormond Key, for use of son Christopher and all his other children. "To my son Christopher my 3 largest silver goblet cups; wife Elizth., my deare br. Samuel Foley, D.D."

Richard Foley of Stourbridge, d. 1657, m. Alice, dr. of Wm. Brindley of Hyde, and had issue, Capt. Samuel Foley, 4th son, of Ripon, Dublin and Clonmel, who m. Elizabeth, dr. of Col. Solomon Richards of Raheen, and had

issue: 1. Right Rev. Samuel Foley, F.T.C.D., Bishop of Down and Connor, and two other sons and a dr. Elizabeth, m. Christopher Dominick, M.D. (cf. Cotton's Fasti., Brady's Annals).

Ussher, Lord St. George of Hatley St. George, died at Naples Jan., 1775. He was a great collector of pictures, many of which are now at Carton, Maynooth.

His will pr. 1775, mentions his wife Elizabeth, whom he appoints guardian, and his only child, Emilia St. George, but Lady St. George having died 1st April, 1773, his Grace Wm. Duke of Leinster was sworn Executor 7th Dec., 1775.

Ussher, Lord St. George had issue :

- Emilia Olivia St. George, only dr. and heiress, born about 1753, m. at St. Peter's Church, Dublin, by Special Lic., 4th Nov., 1775, His Grace William Robert Fitzgerald, 2nd Duke of Leinster, and had issue with others, Augustus Frederick, 3rd Duke of Leinster, father of Charles Wm., the 4th Duke, and grandfather of Gerald, the present Duke.
- 2. Olivia Ussher, dr. of Capt. John Ussher, m. 13th Jan., 1736, Arthur French of Tyrone, Co. Galway.
- 3. Judith Ussher, m. Gorges Lowther of Kilbrew, Co. Meath.
- V. Judith Ussher, eldest dr. of Col. Beverly Ussher, m. at St. Audoen's, Dublin, 13th Dec., 1696, Robert Taylor of Ballynort, Co. Limerick, w. p. 1723, M.P. for Askeaton 1692-1723.
- VI. Isabella Ussher, m. Edward Hubbart of Cappagh, Co. Waterford.
- VII. Anne Ussher, m. 1st in 1704, Sir Thos. Osborne of Beechwood, son of Nicholas Osborne; and m. 2ndly, in 1717, Francis Skiddy.
- VIII. Arthur Ussher, of whom see next chapter.

## CHAPTER XVI.

## CAPTAIN ARTHUR USSHER OF CAPPAGH AND CAMPHIRE, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Pedigree of the Descendants of Arthur Ussher.

- CAPT. ARTHUR USSHER, 4th son of Col. Beverly Ussher, born 1683, d. 1768, m. about 1724, Lucy Taylor, and had issue (probably with others d.y.):
  - I. SARAH USSHER, born 1726, m. Richard Keily, and had issue :
  - II. JUDITH USSHER, born 1728, m. 1st, Edmund Shuldham, m. 2ndly, John Creagh.
  - III. BEVERLY USSHER, of Camphire, m. Jane, dr. of Christopher Musgrave, and d.s.p. 1761.
  - IV. ARTHUR USSHER, born 1740, d.y.
    - V. JOHN USSHER, born 1743, d. 1789, of Camphire, m. 1st, in 1761, Elizabeth, dr. of Christopher Musgrave, and had issue :
      - 1. Susanna Ussher, born 1762, d. 1781.
      - 11. Arthur Ussher of Camphire, born 1764, m. 1788, Margaret Hewetson, and had issue:
        - 1. Elizabeth Ussher, born 1791, m. 1811, Maurice de Cloudt.
        - 2. John Ussher, born 1792, d.y.
        - 3. Arthur Ussher, d.y.
        - 4. Richard John Ussher, born 1799, d.y.
        - 5. Christopher Musgrave Ussher of Camphire, m. Eleanor O'Grady, and had issue :
          - Arthur Edward Ussher m. 1st, Annie Julia Hassard, and m. 2ndly, in 1876, Kate Adams, and has issue by her:
            - [1] Arthur Ussher, born 1878.
            - [2] Robert Henry Ussher, born 1881.
          - (2) Thomas O'Grady Ussher of Flower Hill, born 1838, m. 1869, Henrictta Harris, and has issue :
            - [1] Gertrude Elizabeth Ussher, born 1869.

- [2] Eleanor Melian Ussher, born 1871.
- [3] Christopher Arthur Ussher, born 1873.
- [4] Thomas Harris Ussher, born 1878.
- [5] Henrietta Anne Ussher, born 1881.
- 6. Edward Ussher, born 1809.
- 7. Catherine Ussher m. Ensign David Deane.
- 8. Martha Ussher m. Edward Roberts.
- 9. Sarah Ussher m. Richard Pearson.
- 10. Mina Ussher m. Thos. Greer, and had issue.
- 11. Lucy Ussher m. 1st, . . . Tucker, m. 2ndly, . . . Barnham.
- 12. Julia Ussher m. . . . Bullock.
- 13. Susan Ussher m. Strangman Davis Goff of Horetown, and had issue, (1) William G. D. Goff of Glenville, Waterford, and others.
- 14. Margaret Ussher m. Wm. Jackson Greer, and had issue.
- 111. Lucy Ussher, born 1765, d. 1769.
- IV. John Ussher, born 1766, d. 1782.

v. Sarah Ussher, born 1767, m. Capt. Ussher Boate, who d. 1804. John Ussher of Camphire, m. 2ndly, 1770, Elizabeth, dr. of Wm. Paul, and had issue.

vi. William Ussher, Capt. 64th Regt., born 1771, d. 1796.

- vII. Elizabeth Ussher, born 1772, d. 1796.
- viii. Mary Ussher, born 1773, d. 1784.
  - 1x. Thomas Paul Ussher, Ensign 64th Regt., born 1775, d. 1794.
  - x. Lucy Ussher, born 1776, d. 1797.
  - XI. Richard Keily Ussher of Cappagh, born 1778, d. 1854, Lieut. R.N., m. 1st, Martha Hewetson, d.s.p. He m. 2ndly, 1836, Isabella, dr. of Col. Jasper Grant, and had issue surviving :
    - 1. Richard John Ussher of Cappagh, born 1841, m. 1866, Elizabeth Owen, dr. of Rev. John W. Finlay, and has issue:
      - (1) Beverly Grant Ussher, born 1867.
      - (2) Percy John Ussher, born 1868.
      - (3) Arthur Hamilton Ussher, born 1869.
      - (4) Isabella Mary Grant Ussher, born 1871.

(5) Neville Osborne Ussher, born 1873, d. 1880.

- x11. Judith Ussher, born 1779, d. 1798.
- x111. Paul Ussher, born 1780, d. 1781.
- xıv. John Ussher, born 1782, d. 1783.
- xv. Susanna Ussher, born 1783, d. 1798.
- xvi. Anna Ussher, born 1784, d. 1784.
- xvii. John Ussher of Landscape, born 1786, d. 1844, m. Lucy Glascott, and had issue :
  - 1. John Glascott Ussher of Landscape, d. unmd., 1863.
  - 2. Richard Ussher of Landscape, m. 1st, Charlotte Metge, m. 2ndly, Mary Carroll, and has issue by her:
    - (1) Richard Neville Ussher, born 1882.
  - 3. Arthur Beverly Ussher of Australia.
  - 4. Wm. Neville Ussher m. Mary Anne Grant, and has issue :
    - William Ussher. (2) Mary Ussher. (3) Lucy Ussher, d.y. (4) Charlotte Ussher. (5) Sarah Ussher.
  - 5. Elizabeth Ussher, d. unmd., 1861.
  - 6. Sarah Ussher.
  - 7. Lucy Arabella Ussher, d. unmd.
  - 8. Mary Ussher.
  - 9. Susan Emily Ussher m. Adam Glascott.
  - 10. Charlotte Ussher m. Rev. J. M. French.
  - 11. Isabella Ussher, d. unmd.

Arthur Ussher, probably posthumously born in 1683, youngest son of Col. Beverly Ussher of Kilmeadon, entered the army on 25th May, 1704, as an Ensign in Col. Evans' Regt. (see MS. Army List for 1704 in War Office), and soon accompanied that Corps to the Low Countries, where he displayed remarkable ability and courage. According to a note in an old pedigree preserved by his descendants, "he fought gallantly through nine campaigns under the Duke of Marlborough and Prince Eugene, was left-handed, but a very skilful swordsman, and received a desperate wound in the forehead from a Scotchman in the French army. His colonel (also a Scot), intending to betray to the French the detachment of the regiment placed under Arthur's

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command, had it stationed in a defile for that purpose : Arthur Ussher by great bravery saved his company, and having captured the scout, from whom he took a letter written by his colonel, in which he engaged to betray his men to the French, fought his way through the defile in safety. Upon reaching the main body of the army he called out his colonel to single combat with swords, and killed him at the head of his regiment, for which he was tried by Court Martial, the Duke of Marlborough presiding. He was honourably acquitted, and received a letter from Queen Anne in her own handwriting for his zealous conduct in her service. This was during the time of truce in Flanders." This letter was carefully preserved in the family till about 50 years ago, and is still remembered. A descendant of Capt. Ussher is supposed to have taken it with her at her marriage, and possibly lost it. [The writer had a search made at the Horse Guards to see if there was any confirmation in the records of Arthur Ussher's Regt., of the above-mentioned interesting tale, but none could be found; it is, however, remarkable that in the Lists of the Succession of Colonels (1700 to 1706) given in the old Army Lists from their first publication no such name as Col. Evans is given.]

Capt. Arthur Ussher's sword, marked G.R., is in the hands of R. J. Ussher, Esq., of Cappagh; Richard Ussher, Esq., of Landscape, has his pocket-book with a short diary; and three of his Commissions, with regimental accounts, etc., are in the possession of Miss Sarah Ussher of Tramore.

In the Records preserved in the Horse Guards, War Office, he is mentioned as promoted from the rank of Ensign, to be Captain in Col. John Richmond Webb's Regt. of Foot (8th Ft.) 17th May, 1706, and Captain in the same Regt. 11th Jan. 1714-5. (Commission renewed on the accession of George I.)

We give some extracts from the pocket book :--

"Agreed with the firench master for 2 guilders p. month, commencing the 19th Aug., New Style." "January 5th, Recv<sup>d</sup>. of Mr. Sweet, 5,5000 gld<sup>ers</sup>."

"	'An acct. of my expence in goeing to Amsterd <sup>m</sup> ,	Jan. 2n	d, viz	t. :
	for my owne exp <sup>e</sup> att Nimegen -	-	03	04
	for supplies, and ferrying from N. to Arnem	-	01	02
	p <sup>d</sup> for my own expense att Arnem -	-	03	02
	For a post wagon fro Dlo. to Amsterd	-	05	06

For my own Expence fro. Arn. to Amsterd <sup>m</sup> -	02	01
and other disbursements	09	$09\frac{1}{2}$
For 4 baggs	00	08
p <sup>d</sup> for a basq <sup>t</sup>	01	$09\frac{1}{2}$
For a porter to bring y <sup>e</sup> money to my lodgings -	00	11
For a post wag <sup>n</sup> from Amsterd <sup>m</sup> to Arn <sup>m</sup> -	05	06
P <sup>d</sup> for putting in a letter to Major Lincy -	00	4
For my expense att Amsterdam	06	12
p <sup>d</sup> for bringing money to wagon	05	
To porter to feh <sup>t</sup> to the wagon fro. my lodg <sup>s</sup> -	00	11
for my own exp <sup>c</sup> fro. Amsterd <sup>m</sup> to Arne <sup>m</sup> and P.	01	19
For my owne expense att Arnem, and Portrage for y <sup>e</sup> money	2	6
for a post Wagon fro Arn. to Nin. for my selfe and the money	5	6
for the ferry and for porter att Nimegen	0	15
For my expense att Ninegen	02	5
For a wagon fro. N. to Gravé	04	00 "

Then come various payments to officers in 1704 and 1705, from which it is evident that Arthur Ussher, young as he was, had already shown his capacity for business, and the prudence for which through life he was conspicuous. He appears to have been, at the age of 21, paymaster of his Regt. and in that capacity undertook the journey from the Camp at Gravé to Amsterdam and back, to fetch money.

"The Duke of Mallborough and Prynce Eugene entirely defeated the whole ffrench army, tooke the Ml. de. Tallard prysoner and 12 ffrench gen'alls w<sup>th</sup>in 4 leagues of Donawerth." [This was the battle of Blenheim.]

Again—"On the 27th of 9ber,  $170\frac{3}{4}$ , there was a great storm in England w<sup>ch</sup> destroyed several capyt<sup>lis</sup>. ships." [In this the first Eddystone Lighthouse and its architect, and also Sir Cloudesly Shovel and many men of war perished.]

Then comes the diary, only too short, of the march of the army, probably towards Bavaria or the Danube.

"April the 21st, march<sup>d</sup> out of the Gravé w<sup>th</sup> Coll. Lalle's Regim<sup>t</sup> about 10 of the clock and about a league of y<sup>e</sup> towne joyned the forces of y<sup>e</sup> buss, vizt., my L<sup>d</sup> Ortney's, Ruse and Shumburg's and Windham's horse, and marchd to a village call<sup>d</sup> the Mill, w<sup>th</sup>in a leagues  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Gravé where wee incamp<sup>d</sup> that night. Y<sup>e</sup> 22nd, on Sunday about 7 in the morning wee march<sup>d</sup> to Bucksmere where wee incampd that night.

"Munday the 23th wee marchd to a place calld Blitersfield, 5 league from Bucksmere and incampd there for 2 nights.

"Wednesday y<sup>e</sup> 25th wee marchd to a small village within  $\frac{1}{2}$  a league of Venloe where wee were joyned by Brigd<sup>rs</sup> fferryndon's Regim<sup>t</sup>.

"Thurday ye 26th wee marchd about 8 in ye morning, and incampd within  $\frac{1}{2}$  a league of ye Vivermond, where ye Duke of Malborough came about 7 in the evening, and was saluted by ye canon of ye towne. Friday the 27th wee march<sup>d</sup> about 8 in ye morn, and marchd to a place calld Mazyck, which is 5 leagues fro Ruremd, and by ye way were joynd by Hambleton's and Yallon's Regimts of foot, wee lay att Mazyck for 2 nights.

"Sunday the 29th wee decamped and march<sup>d</sup> to Rakehin. (Reckem),

"Munday the 30th, wee march<sup>d</sup> to St. Peterberry, a place w<sup>th</sup>n 2 leagues of Mastryck and was joined by Strong, Temple and Mackartny.

"On Wensday the 2nd of May wee were joyned by the remaind<sup>r</sup> of the English forces in this country where wee stayed for 4 nights.

"On Thursday the 3rd of May wee were reviued by the Duke of Mallborough: fryeday the 4th wee march<sup>d</sup> to Guillepau, 4 leagues frō St. Petersbury; Sunday the 6th wee decamped att 5 in the morning and march<sup>d</sup> to a place called Hertogenrad, w<sup>ch</sup> is w<sup>th</sup>in a league of Guillepau.

"Wesday the 8th wee marched 3 leagues and incamp<sup>d</sup> w<sup>th</sup>in a muskett shott of a Towne called Daryne."

The next entry is, "July 7th, 1705.

11 pieces of canon,

17 standards,

- 4 pr of coffrs,
- 1 pr of Kettledrums,

"3 Brygad<sup>rs</sup> Lt.-Gen<sup>u</sup> Shoults passed y<sup>e</sup> Lyn's neer Hespen Cornel Noyell att Esemaelt (?) 2 G

200	men killed,	L <sup>t</sup> Gen <sup>ii</sup> Inglsby near
2500	prysoners and deserters,	Heylesam."
200	officers taken,	
<b>2</b>	LieutGen <sup>lls</sup> killed,	[This was probably the battle
<b>2</b>	Major Gen <sup>ns</sup> ."	of Ramillies.]

The Regimental accounts are carried on from 1709 to 1714; among them are such items as:

# Aprill 10th, 1709.

Capt. Arthur Ussher and Compa <sup>ny</sup> , Cred.:	
By 13 days subsistence, ending ye 22nd of	Stivers.
Aprill, 1709, inclusive,	$f323. 8\frac{1}{4}$
Paid postage of letters for one year -	1, 10. 0

## Company accts.

Capt. Arthur Ussher and Compa., Cred. :			
By his subsistence from ye 24th of Aprill,			
1708, to 22nd Aprill, 1709, inclusive,			
being 364 days at 7/6 p. day as Capt., 3			
servants included,	£136	10	0
By 3 Serjeants at 1s. per day each, -	54	12	0
By Corporals,	60	13	4
65 private soldiers granad. at 5d. p. day,	591	10	7
	$\pounds 843$	5	11

The original Captain's Commission of Ensign Arthur Ussher runs as follows :---

O John, Duke and Earle of Marleborough, Murquis of Blandford, Baron Churchill of Aymouth and Sandridge, one of her Majesty's Most Hon<sup>ble</sup> Privy Council, Knight of the most noble order of the Garter, Master Gen<sup>u</sup> of the Ordnance, Colonel of the ffirst Regimt. of floot Guards and Captain Gen<sup>u</sup> of her Majesty's Land forces, etc.

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## To Arthur Ussher, Esq.

Entered with y<sup>e</sup> Comissary Gen<sup>11</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Musters, G. Marshall. By virtue of the Authority and Power to me given by her Majesty as Captain Generall of her Majesty's Land florces; I do hereby constitute and appoint you the said Arthur Ussher, to be Captain of that Company of Grenadiers in Her Majesty's Regiment of Foot

Commanded by Brigadier John Richmond Webb, whereof Edward Fielding, Esq., was Captain. You are therefore to take the said Company into your care and charges, and duely to exercise the inferior officers and soldiers thereof in Arms; and to use your best endeavours to keep them in good order and discipline and I do hereby command them to obey you as their Captain, and you are to observe and follow such orders and directions from time to time as you shall receive from Her Majesty, myself or any other your superior officer, according to the rules and Discipline of Warr. Given at the Camp at Grimberg the seventeenth day of May, 1706. In the flifth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

Ensign Usher to be	MARLBOROUGH,
Cap. of Grenadiers in	By his Grace's Command.
Brigadier Webb's : Regt.	C. Fre. Cardonall.

The 2nd Commission is signed by George I., dated June 11th, 1715, and grants him a Company in Lieut.-Genl. Webb's Regt., being the renewal of the former one on the King's accession.

In a document dated 6th June, 1719, Arthur Ussher is styled Captain in the Honble. Brig<sup>r</sup> Morrisson's Regt. of Foot, being still the same corps.

A letter of Edward Hubbart (who m. Isabella, Arthur's sister) to Robert Taylor, who had m. Judith Ussher, another sister, gives some information as to Captain Ussher's marriage, and expresses the strongest regard for him.

" Cappagh, 23rd March, 1719.

#### "DEAR BRO.,

"I perused your lettr. to my bro. Arthur and would have writt to you to Corke as you desired, but beleived the hurry of affaires about the Intended Invasion might call you home sooner then you proposed. My bro. Arthur left us on Saturday last in order to be in Waterford to meet his Regim<sup>t</sup> who are to be there before him, and that I may now say something relating to y<sup>e</sup> settlem<sup>t</sup> to be made as you desire; the first proposall I made was to settle

the whole concern on y<sup>e</sup> younge couple and y<sup>e</sup> managem<sup>t</sup> thereof within and without intirely to them, allowing such a competency as might be thought reasonable and we to live wth them, but wee doe not finde my bro. Arthur is willing to take the managem<sup>t</sup> of the house from my wife whilst she lives, soe that the best way I think to make all matters easy is that the Women shall goe hand-in-hand in ye managemt of the household affaires and my bro. Arthur and I to joyne unanimously in ye managemt of the concernes abroad, and assist each other on all occasions, and as for my part I shall never controule him in anythinge but heartily doe every thinge in conjunction wth. him to his best advantage and you may easily believe my wife will doe ye same by her; and now to mention the Lands to be settled on the Lady, I propose the lands of Ballynahinnery, Ballynemointra and Garriduffe, weh, as land goes now, will yeild att least 80lb. p. ann., and if you'll propose or think of any other expedient proper to be done, you shall always find me ready to comply in doeing anything that can be reasonably expected from me, for I can assure you that I have nothing more in view than to contribute every thinge in my Power that shall tend to their future satisfaction and advantage wen is all I can att p'sent say on this subject till we can next be soe happy as to have a personall conference with you. My wife joynes in our affect. service to you, my good sister Taylor and cozen Lucy, and I hope I need not many words to assure you that I am, Dr. Bro., yor ever affect. and faithfull servt. "EDW. HUBBARD.

"I pray give our humble service to our good friends att Ballymacoo and the good family at Croagh when you see them."

On 13th Jan., 1719, Arthur Ussher, Esq., J.P., produced at Dungarvan Sessions a certificate of his receiving the Sacrament and qualifying.

Also in 1724 he took the oath and got a certificate attested by the minister and wardens of Whitechurch, of his having received the sacrament and qualified on 29th Nov., 1724.

In 1730 he was High Sheriff of the Co. Waterford. Among the country people he went by the name of "Capteen More." A third Commission appoints him to be Colonel of the Regiment of Militia Dragoons in Co. Waterford, in the room of Beverly Ussher, deceased, and to be Captain of a troop in sd Regt. Dated 5th Nov., 1756.

Arthur Ussher was seized of Cappagh by a lease for lives under Sir John Osborne, Bart., in whom the fee vested. In the 27th year of Geo. II., he with his eldest son, Beverly, levied fines, and they agreed that the fines should

be for Arthur's sole use. Previous to his death he demised it to his son John, who previous to his marriage with Elizth. Paul, by settlement of 25th Augt., 1770, conveyed to Trustees to pay his wife £200 per ann. on his death, and £1,700 for the younger children.

John Ussher also had a lease renewable for ever of Ballenamointra and Garryduffe, under Sir John Osborne. Sir John Osborne, who d. 1713, entailed Cappagh on his nephew Beverly, and his heirs male, and for want of such to James Ussher and his heirs male, for want of such to John Ussher and his heirs male, and for lack of such to Arthur Ussher, and for lack of his heirs male to Nicholas, son to Sir Thos. Osborne. Beverly Ussher in 1713, leased it to his brother James. Finally it came to James' son, John Ussher of Ballintaylor, who, in 1732, renewed the lease to Arthur, and left the fee to his brother Beverly, who also executed a renewal to Arthur. Beverly's son John, in order to discharge his father's debts, procured an Act of Parliament to sell lands in Co. Waterford.

Captain Arthur Ussber died at Camphire in 1767; his will, dated 5th Jan., 1766, was proved in 1768. To his son John he left his estate; to his drs. Sarah Keily, Judith Creagh,  $\pm 50$  each for mourning; to his dr. Elizth: Us-her,  $\pm 50$ .

He m. about 1719, Lucy, dr. of Berkeley Taylor\* of Askeaton, and niece of Robert Taylor of Ballynort, Co. Limerick, and by her had issue :

• The Rev. R. Ussher of Ventnor, has sent the following pedigree of the Taylor family. Crest—A lion passant. Arms—1 and 4 Sa. a lion passant argent, 2 and 3, gules around a chevron ermine, 10 crosses patées arg.

Sir Fras. Berkeley, Knt., 1597, Govr. of Askeaton Castle, Co. Lim., M.P. 1613, m. Jane, dr. of Adam Loftus, D.D., Archbp. of Dub. and Ld. Chano. Hib., and had issue : I. Maurice, Govr. of Lim., 1610, d. 1687; in the registry of his army called grandson of Sir Maurice B. of Bruton, Somerset. II. A dr. m. George Courtenay of Powderham, 2nd son of Sir W. Courtenay, 1596 succeeded to the Oughtred estates, had issue Francis Oughtred Berkeley, d.s.p. III. Gertrude. wife of ... Taylor of Ballynort, Co. Lim., and Burton, Co. Cork, and by him had issue: 1. Robert Taylor, H.S.. Co. Limerick, 1670, M.P. for Askeaton, 1692-95, d. 1697, m. ... Berkeley, and had issue, who all d.v.p. 2. Wm. Taylor of Burton, Co. Cork, 1693, d. 1712, m. Lucy, dr. of Col. Villiers Harrington of Wexford, and had issue: (1) Robert Taylor, M.P. for Askeaton, 1703, H.S. Co. Lim. 1706, m. Judith Ussher, 1696. (2) Berkeley Taylor, M.P., Askeaton, m. Sarah... and had issue: [1] William Taylor of Ballynort, d. 1767, had issue Catherine, Lady Massy, heiress of Ballynort, and Sarah, Countess of Carrick. [2] Richard. [3] Robert. [4] Edward. [5] Sarah m. T. Westropp. [6] Lucy m. Arthur Ussher, and had issue. [7] Mary, m. 1734, John Westropp. (3) Richard. (4-10) Sons and drs. IV. Frances m. Thos. Blany, m. 2ndly, James Purcell of Croagh.

- I. Sarah Ussher, born 1726, m. Jan., 1745, Richard Keily of Lismore and Strancally (son of John Keily of Carrigleagh, Co. Waterford), who d. Sept., 20th, 1782, leaving issue :
  - John Keily, born 1748, d. 1808, m. 1769, Jane, dr. of John Bagwell of Marlfield, Co. Tipperary, and by her had issue:

     Sarah m... Conner.
     Richard.
     Dorcas.
     John of Strancally, born 1774, d. 1862, m. Margt., dr. of John Bagwell, and had issue:
     John, born 1802, d. 1863, m. Maria Haigh, and had issue:
     John, born 1837, m. 1866, Augusta Julia, dr. of Rev. Thos. Bell, of Brook Hill, Co. Wexford, and had issue:
     John Townsend, born 1867.
     Fanny Isabella.
     Emily m. David G. Griffith.
     Arthur Keily, born Jan. 22nd, 1777, d. at Ballysaggart, 18th Aug., 1862, of whom below.

Arthur Keily in 1843 changed his name from Keily to Ussher, inherited Ballysaggart, Lismore, from his father, and m. 25th Oct., 1824, Elizabeth, dr. of Robert Martin of Ross, Co. Galway, who d. 1872, and by her had issue:

- Isabella Ussher, born 16th June, 1827, m. 1854, Gervase Henry Bushe, and had issue, Wm. Daxon, born 13th Augt., 1855.
- (2) Jane Ussher, born 7th Dec., 1829, d. 7th July, 1853.
- (3) John Ussher, born 13th Feb., 1831, m. 9th Nov., 1865, Mary, widow of R. N. Gore Booth, and dr. of R. E. Egerton Warburton of Arley Hall, Cheshire, and had issue:
  - [1] Edward, born 3rl Nov., 1869. [2] May, born 1875. [3] Maurice, born 1878.
- (4) Elizabeth Ussher, born 1832, d. 1873.
- (5) Arthur Ussher, born 1834, m. 1863, Mary, dr. of Joseph Malcolmson, of Portlaw, Co. Waterford.
- (6) Adelaide Ussher, born 3rd Dec., 1835, m. Very Rev. Isaac Reeves, Dean of Ross, and had issue.
- Helena Ussher, born 17th Nov., 1839, m. 1868, J. C.
   Wood of Cork, and has issue.
- (8) Grace Ussher, born 1841, d. 1877.
- (9) Lavinia Ussher, born 1843.
- (10) Rev. Richard Ussher of Ventnor, born 26th Jan., 1846, author of "Hist. of Croxall," m. 1872, Mary, adopted

dr. of Sir R. E. Wilmot-Buxton, Bart., of Osmaston Hall, Derby, and has issue: [1] Robert Beverly Arthur, born 1873, d. 1876. [2] Robert Arland, born 1877. [3] Margt. Elizth. [4] Beverly, born 1872. [5] Stephen, born 1882. [6] Mary Josephine.

(11) Robert Benjamin, born 1848, m. 1886, Mary, dr. of J. Baldock of London.

Sarah Ussher by Richard Keily, had issue also.

- 11. Richard Keily.
- Rev. Arthur Keily, born 1754, m. Dorothea Townsend, and had issue, 2 drs.
- A son. v. Lucy Keily m. P. Piercy. vi. Frances Keily m. . . . Musgrave. vii. Judith Keily m. . . . Alcock. viii. Sarah Keily m. 1778, Sir John Keane of Belmont. ix. Anne Keily. x. Elizabeth Keily m. Peter Carey of Careysville, Co. Cork. xi. Grace Keily, born 1766, m. J. Westropp of Ballysteen.
- II. Judith Ussher, born 1728, m. 1st, Edmund, 2nd son of Edmund Shuldham (and his wife, the dr. of M'Carthy More), of Dunmanway, Co. Cork. Mar. Settlemt., 2nd Dec., 1749.
  "Edmund Schuldham, Esq., and Judith Ussher were married by the Rev. Ralph Hawtrey, December y<sup>e</sup> 3rd, 1749." (Kilmeadon Parish Reg.)

She had issue by him, Arthur Lemuel Shuldham of Dunmanway, born

1752. She m. 2ndly, John Creagh of Castle Creagh, Doneraile, and had issue.

- III. Beverly Ussher of Camphire, born about 1730, m. Jane, dr. of Christopher and Susanna Musgrave, but d.s.p., having shet himself in Dublin, 17th May, 1761; his widow m. 2ndly Richard Musgrave.
  - IV. Arthur Ussher, born 24th Oct., 1740, bap. Lismore Cathl., 18th Oct., 1740, died young.

V. John Ussher of Cappagh,\* born 8th April, 1743, bap. Lismore,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>•</sup> Cappagh, the estate of John Ussher, Esq. [son of Captain Arthur Ussher], is situateoon the north side of the parish of Whitechurch, and near it are the remains of an ancient building, said to have belonged to the Knights-Templars. Excellent marl has been found here, lying deep in an adjacent bog; but the place being subject to be filled with water upon digging, makes it difficult to get any quantity of this useful manure. (Smith's Hist, of Co. Waterford, 2nd Edition, 1774, p. 58).

13th April, 1743, Freeman of Waterford, 17th Sept., 1770, J.P., d. at Waterford, 1789; his will was pr. 1st Sept., same year; he was buried at Whitechurch.

John Ussher, 3rd son of Capt. Arthur Ussher, m. 1st, 8th June, 1761 (after the death of his elder brother, Beverly) Elizabeth, dr. of Christopher Musgrave, of Ballyin, who d. 6th March, 1769. He lived at Camphire until 1770. By his first wife he had issue:

- 1. Susanna Ussher, born 18th Dec., 1762, d. 9th Nov., 1781.
- 11. Arthur Ussher, born 30th March, 1764, recd. into the Church at Lismore, 19th Sept., 1765; succeeded his father in the Camphire estate, of whom below.
- Lucy Ussher, born 27th May, 1765, bap. Lismore, 19th Sept., 1765, d. 1769.
- John Ussher, born 9th Oct., 1766, died in London, 18th Jan., 1782.
- v. Sarah Ussher, born 16th Oct., 1767, m. Ussher Boate, of Duckspool, Capt. in 70th Regt., Mar. Settlemt. 18th Decr., 1799.

John Ussher m. 2ndly, at Waterford, 26th Aug., 1770, Elizabeth, dr. of Wm. Paul, of Waterford, great grand-uncle of Sir Robert J. Paul, Bart., Ballyglan (see Burke's Irish Peerage for pedigree), and thenceforth resided in Waterford, was appointed to the Commission of the Peace to Waterford, 5th Feb., 11th Geo. III. In 1785 John Ussher, son of Beverly and gdson. of James, obtained an Act of Parliament to sell his estates. On the sale of these estates in 1786, John (son of Arthur) purchased the fee simple of Cappagh, Knocknacrooba, Ballynahemery and Garryduff (he and his father having hitherto only held a lease of lives renewable for ever of those lands). At the same time he raised £1,500 on mortgage of the lands to purchase them. By his 2nd wife he had issue:

> vi. William Ussher, born 14th Aug., 1771, matr. T.C.D., 1786, succeeded his father in the Cappagh estates, Capt. 64th Regt., was killed in a duel at Gibraltar, 1796. There is an inscription on a stone slab in a small cemetery now full, in the town of Gibraltar, to his memory.

#### "SACRED"

"To the memory of  $W^m$ . Ussher, Esq., late Capt. in his Majesty's 64th Regiment of Foot, who by his conduct in several actions in the West Indies not only derived credit to himself but did honour to the service in which he was employed. Brave, generous and humane whilst living, he obtained what he justly merited, the high esteem of his brother officers, and the fond respect of those intrusted to his command. Hastened to an early grave, his country has to lament the loss of an excellent officer, and society that of an honest man. He departed this life on the 29th March, 1796, in the 25th year of his age. As a small tribute of regard to the memory of so worthy a man, this stone is erected by the 64th Regt., jointly with the officers of the garrison at Gibraltar."

vII. Elizabeth Ussher, born 24th Aug., 1772, d. 4th Sept., 1796.

- vIII. Mary Ussher, born 26th Nov., 1773, died of consumption 25th Feb., 1784, buried at Christ Church, Waterford.
  - 1x. Thomas Paul Ussher, born 28th April, 1775, Ensign 64th Regt., died of yellow fever at Martinique, 11th April, 1794.
    - x. Lucy Ussher, born 14th Aug., 1776, d. 25th Nov., 1797.
  - XI. Richard Keily Ussher\*, born 4th Feb., 1778, of Cappagh, Freeman of Waterford, 1st Dec., 1800; he entered the Royal Navy at the age of twelve, and when only sixteen, while going out to the West Indies such storms were encountered that his senior officers were all incapacitated by over-work, and he had to take the command, and work the ship. He was engaged in the capture of St. Lucia and Martinique from the French; while in the West Indies he nearly died of yellow fever.

On his brother William's death in 1796 (Thomas Paul Ussher having died in 1794), Richard succeeded to his estate, and left the Navy.

He soon afterwards m. Martha, dr. of the Rev. John Hewetson of Suir View, Co. Kilkenny, a descendant of the Rev. Christopher Hewetson,†

<sup>+</sup> Christopher Hewetson was also Parson of Howth, and d. 5th April, 1633, leaving issue by 1st wife, Susan Siggan of Hampshire, Wm. and Elizth., and by his 2nd wife, Rebecca Okes, Christopher and Thos. who got grants of land in Co. Kilkenny, 1642; Michael, Rector of Swords, 1674, of St. Andrew's. Dublin, 1679; Rebecca, buried at Swords; Marah, buried at St. Andrew's, (T.C.D., MS. F. 3, 27, etc.)

In 1743 Christopher Hewetson and Elianor, his wife, were bur. at Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny.

<sup>•</sup> For the interesting facts of his life the writer is indebted to his son, the present Richard J. Ussher, of Cappagh.

Treasurer of Christ Church Cathl., but left no issue by her. On 31st Jan., 49th George III., he was appointed to the Commission of the Peace for the counties of Waterford and Tipperary.

When Richard Ussher came into possession of the Cappagh estate, the old castle or house that his grandfather, Arthur, had lived in sixty years before was a ruin, and there was no house fit for him to live in, the property being held by a large number of small tenants. No trees stood on it, all the timber having been previously cut down. Where Cappagh Demesne now exists there were bare furze-covered hills above, and an undrained morass in front, that gave rise annually to fever and ague, while the property was financially encumbered by the mortgage of 1786 and subsequent incumbrances, to so large an amount that, with the lawlessness prevailing among the lower classes, Richard Ussher could hardly realize more than agent's fees on the nominal rental at first.

He built a house at Ballynahemery where he lived for a time.

In the early part of this century there were no police in Co. Waterford, and it was abandoned to lawlessness, murderers and robbers keeping the population in a state of terrorism, the frequent outrages by day as well as by night being by no means exclusively or even generally of an agrarian character while those who denounced outrages to the authorities were visited by death. It was dangerous even to sit in one's house without bullet-proof shutters. Faction fights on a large scale were customery at certain fairs. The gentry had all quitted the country and Richard Ussher, with his brother-in-law, George Hewetson, and one other were the only magistrates who could be got to execute the laws. They had to perform the functions of police, and made many an expedition by night to the houses of criminals in mountainous parts of the country, whom they brought prisoners to Cappagh, where they had to keep them until they could be sent for trial to Waterford. In the detection and apprehension of criminals Richard Ussher was indefatigable and successful. He was said by his poorer neighbours to have been "the friend of every honest man," while he inspired a terror in criminals that seemed to render them powerless when in his hands.

While he lived at Ballynahemery his out-offices were burned and his cows ripped open with reaping-hooks. He subsequently left it, and built the older

house at Cappagh, which with its offices formed a quadrangle closed by two strong gates in arch-ways. For some time he and his wife inhabited the upper rooms, the lower windows being built up and loop-holed for defence. He once rode into the fair of Mountain Castle, the Shanavests and Caravats being drawn up in opposing lines for a faction fight, but he rode in between them, took the ringleaders and brought them prisoners to Cappagh, while no one dared attack him.

6th Dec., 1814. The Lord Lieutenant, by letter to Richard Ussher, of his Secretary W. Gregory, acknowledged the exertions of the Magistrates of the Co. Waterford, by which "so many of the persons concerned in outrages committed in your neighbourhood have been apprehended," and expressed a hope that by a continuation of the same line of conduct the county would soon be restored to tranquillity. (This eventually took place.)

Richard Ussher throughout his life at Cappagh continued to improve it. He built extensive farm-offices in connection with the house he had erected, reclaimed upland tracts of the property and made plantations along the hills, as well as about the demesne and lakes. These he excavated gradually by raising turf with boats in the morass, which being thereby drained ceased to produce ague. He consolidated the holdings and encouraged a more substantial tenantry.

At the same time, while continually entertaining his numerous relations and those of his wife (to all of whom his house was open) he gradually paid off all the incumbrances on the estate which at his death was left perfectly clear, his 2nd wife's fortune having enabled him to do this.

His first wife was a herbalist, and in the absence of medical charities she effected innumerable cures among the peasantry, carried on various household arts, such as weaving and spinning, candle making, etc., now not thought of in private homes.

She, as well as Elizabeth Ussher, his mother, and all his sisters joined the Society of Friends who carried on an intense religious movement in the South of Ireland, the Church being then in a very dead state.

A Memoir of Elizabeth Ussher, the elder, and also letters of Elizth. Lucy, Judith and Susanna Ussher, were privately printed by J. Jones, South Gr. George's St., Dublin, in 1812; a 2nd Ed., 1815, and a 3rd. Ed., London, 1845.

Richard Ussher, though he did not conform to the Society of Friends, imbibed their conscientious objections to take or administer oaths, and accordingly ceased to act as a magistrate.

15th Dec., 1829. By a letter of his brother John we find that for these reasons he declined the office of High Sheriff, which was several times pressed on him. His wife Martha was dead in 1829.

Richard Ussher m. 2ndly, on 2nd Feb., 1836, Isabella, dr. of Col. Jasper Grant, of the 41st Regt., and of the family of the Grants of Kilmurry, Co. Cork; she was born at Montreal, when her father was Governor of Upper Canada. (He was afterwards Govr. of Carlisle). Richard Ussher died at Cappagh, 25th Feb., 1854, and was buried in the family vault at Whitechurch, leaving issue by his 2nd wife who d. at Cappagh, 20th July, 1881:

- Richard John Ussher, now of Cappagh, their only surviving child, born 6th April, 1841; J.P. Co. Waterford, 1863; m. 20th Jan., 1866, Elizabeth Owen, eldest dr. of Rev. John William Finlay of Corkagh House, near Clondalkin, Co. Dublin, and by her has issue:
  - Beverly Grant Ussher, born 19th Feb., 1867; Sch. New Coll., Oxon, Oct., 1885.
  - (2) Percy John Ussher, born 28th Aug., 1868; Lieut. Royal Marine Artillery, 1888, commission anthedated from 1885.
  - (3) Arthur Hamilton Ussher, born 14th Sept, 1869.
  - (4) Neville Osborne, Ussher, born 23rd Aug., 1873, died 5th March, 1880.

(5) Isabella Mary Grant Ussher, born 20th March, 1871.

Mr. Ussher, who in 1875 built the present house at Cappagh on a commanding site, is known among Ornithologists as an authority on Irish birds, on which and on the prehistoric antiquities of his locality he has published various writings.\*

x11. Judith Ussher, born 14th Oct., 1779, d. 1798.

Cf. Zoologist 1879, etc.; Trans. I. Acad., 2nd Series, Vol. II., Nov. 29th, 1879; May 10th, 1880; Trans. Rl. Dub. Soc., April, 1881; Repts. of Brit. Assoc., 1880-81-82; Journal R.H.A. Assoc., I., Jan., 1886.

- XIII. Paul Usher, born 10th Oct., 1780, d. 19th June, 1781, buried at Christ Church, Waterford.
- xiv. John Ussher, born 22nd Feb., 1782, died of small pox, 6th Nov., 1783, and was buried at Christ Church, Waterford.
- xv. Susanna Ussher, born 25th April, 1783, d. 1798.
- xvi. Anna Ussher, born 2nd June, 1784, d. 27th Dec., 1784, buried at Christ Church, Waterford.
- XVII. John Ussher, born 1st April, 1786; went to school at Ballitore in 1796; built house at Landscape, near New Ross, Co. Wexford, m. Lucy Glascott, born 1791, d. 30th March, 1863, dr. of Wm. Glascott of Piltown, Co. Wexford (a member of an old Wexford family) and d. 16th Feb., 1844, leaving issue by her:
  - 1. John Glascott Ussher, barrister-at-law, of Landscape, d. unmd. 12th June, 1863.
  - Richard Ussher, now of Landscape, m. 1st., in 1849, Charlotte, dr. of Rev. James Metge; m. 2ndly, 5th Augt., 1876, Mary, dr. of Wm. Hales Carroll or O'Carroll, of Ashane, Co. Tipperary, and 11 Harcourt Street, Dub., Agent to Archbp. Whately (a lineal descendant of the Princes of Ely O'Carroll), and by her has issue:
    - (1) Richard Neville Ussher, born 7th Oct., 1882.
  - 3. Arthur Beverly Ussher of Burrumbeet Lake, Ballarat, Australia.
  - 4. William Neville Ussher of Youghal, m. Mary Anne Grant, dr. of Jasper Grant of Cork, and has issue:
    - William Ussher. (2) Mary Ussher. (3) Lucy Ussher, d. young. (4) Charlotte Ussher. (5) Sarah Ussher.
  - 5. Elizabeth Ussher, d. unmd. 15th Aug., 1861.
  - 6. Sarah Ussher.
  - 7. Lucy Arabella Ussher, d. unmd.
  - 8. Mary Ussher.
  - 9. Susan Emily Ussher m. Adam Glascott of Killowen.
  - 10. Charlotte Ussher m. Rev. J. F. Metge ffrench (son of

Anthony F. ffrench of New Ross, and his wife Margt. Metge) Rector of Clonegal, Co. Carlow, an antiquary and genealogist, who is himself a descendant of Sir Wm. Ussher, senr., through the Molyneux, Madden, Palmer and Metge families.

11. Isabella Ussher d. unmd.

We now return to Arthur Ussher, eldest son of John Ussher of Camphire; aforesaid.

Arthur Ussher, born 1764, entered T.C.D. in 1782, B.A., 1786; Freeman of Waterford, 1780, m. at Waterford, 3rd Jan., 1788, Margaret, dr. of Rev. John Hewetson of Suir View, and had issue:

- Elizabeth Ussher, bap. Lismore Cathl., 12th July, 1791, m. 16th April, 1811, Maurice de Cloudt, Lieut. and Adjt. of the King's 2nd German Legion, subsequently Major of the same corps.
- 2. John Ussher, bap. at Lismore, 29th July, 1792, died young.
- 3. Arthur Ussher, died young.
- 4. Richard John Ussher, bap. Lismore, 19th Dec., 1799, died young.
- 5. Christopher Musgrave Ussher, of whom below.
- 6. Edward Ussher, bap. 22nd April, 1809, entered the army and married.
- 7. Catherine Ussher, m. 1823, David Deane, son of Wm. Deane of Cork, and Ensign in the North Cork Militia.
- 8. Martha Ussher m. Edward Roberts of Waterford.
- 9. Sarah Ussher, m. 10th April, 1823, Richard Pearson, Surgeon, 1st Dragoon Guards.
- Mina Ussher, m. 17th April, 1825, Thos. Greer of Tullylagan, Co. Tyrone, J.P., who was born 21st April, 1791, and had issue:
  - Frederic Greer of Tullylagan, born 17th Feb., 1829, m. Cecilia, dr. of Sir Nathaniel Alexander Staples, of Lissan, Bart., by whom he has issue :

- (2) Ussher Greer, born 27th Feb., 1831, d. unmd.
- (3) Martha Greer m. John H. Ridge.
- (4) Elizabeth Jackson Greer. (5) Priscilla Sophia Greer.
- 11. Lucy Ussher m. 1st, ... Tucker, m. 2ndly, ... Barnham.
- 12. Julia Ussher m. . . . Bullock.
- 13. Susan Ussher m. Strangman Davis Goff (formerly spelt Gough), of Horetown, Co. Wexford, and has issue:
  - (1) Wm. G. D. Goff of Glenville, Waterford, and others.
- 14. Margaret Ussher m. 30th June, 1827, Wm. Jackson Greer of Rhone Hill, Co. Tyrone, born 17th Aug., 1797, and had issue with other sons and drs. :
  - (1) Thomas Greer of Howth.

We now return to Christopher Musgrave Ussher of Camphire, son of Arthur Ussher and his wife Margaret.

Christopher M. Ussher of Camphire m. Eleanor O'Grady, and had issue:

- Arthur Edward Ussher of Camphire, born 24th July, 1835, m. 1st, in April, 1861, Annie Julia, dr. of Wm. Henry Hassard, Recorder of Waterford; m. 2ndly, 15th Feb., 1876, Kate, dr. of J. H. Adams, and has issue:
  - [1] Arthur Ussher, born 28th Oct., 1878.
  - [2] Robert Henry Ussher, born 25th May, 1881.
- (2) Thomas O'Grady Ussher of Flower Hill, Lismore, bap. 8th Aug. 1838, m. 14th Jan., 1869, Henrietta, dr. of Thomas Harris, Q.C., and has issue:
  - [1] Gertrude Elizabeth Ussher, born 25th Oct., 1869.
  - [2] Eleanor Melian Ussher, born 5th Feb., 1871.
  - [3] Christopher Arthur Ussher, born 25th Feb, 1873.
  - [4] Thomas Harris Ussher, born 30th Sept., 1878.

[5] Henrietta Anne Ussher, born 10th Dec., 1881.

According to Faulkner's Dub. Journal, January 22nd, 1788, Mrs. Sarah Ussher died at Newtown, Co. Waterford, aged 79. She was probably of the same family.

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# APPENDIX I.

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# USSHERS WHO OBTAINED THE FREEDOM OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN.

# Extract from the City Freeman's Roll.

18 Eliz., 1579.         Usher, Geo., mrat.         B.         7           25 Eliz., ,,         Usher, Rosia,         B.         33	
36 Eliz., ,, Usher, Gerrardus, mrat. B. 7b	
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38 ,, Usher, Laurentius, mrat. B. ro7	
44 ,, Usher, Katherine, virgo B. 48	
Lichon Aligin wings B	
Usher Sisilia virgo B	
14 Jac. i. Usher, Matthæus, mrat S. 10 72	
Usher Jennett virgo B	
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", ", Usher, Suzan, virgo B.	
14 ,, Usher, Stephanus, mr. B. 8	
21 ,, Usher, Allantor, mrat. B.	
1 Car. i. Usher, Christopher, mrat. S.	
,, ,, Usher, Christopher, mrat. B.	
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,, ,, Usher, Begnet, virgo B.	
11 ,, Usher, Johes, mrat. B.	
12 ,, Usher, Matthæus, mrat. S.	
13 ,, Usher, Maria, virgo B.	
22 ,, Usher, Johs, mrat. S.	
Ushon Maria spinston B	
4 W. & M 1692 Usher, Johs, Painterstainer S.	
Midsum. 1709 Usher, Peter, smith G.	
Mich. 1718 Usher, John, mrat. S.	
Usher Peter smith B	
Christmas, 1732 Usher, James, weaver G. E.	
Mid., 1749 Usher, Montague, mrat. S.	
Mid., 1757 Usher, Jno., mrat. B.	

It is remarkable that down to two centuries ago females were made free in the City of Dublin, and had the privilege of transmitting the right, until a few years ago. .

## APPENDIX II.

#### NAMES OF USSHERS AND USHERS IN T.C.D.

# Matriculation Lists.

- 1638. Edward Usher, son of Robert, Episc. Kildare, aged 15, born in Villa Balsoon, March 3, 1623. Commen. scholarium. Educ in Schola St. Patr.
- 1641. Luke, son of Richd., gener. 18, born Kilmenâ. Reader.
- 1658. Markes Usher, son of Josling Usher, minister, aged 14, born at Balsoon. Educ. Trim. sub Mr. Turbridge.
- 1661. John Usher, son of Sir Wm. Usher, Knt., aged 16. Dublin.
- 1662. Francis, son of Joslin Ussher, Presbyter., 16, born Balsoon, educ. Trim.
- 1665. Wm., 3rd son of Sir Wm. Usher, Eq. Aurati, 15 Dub. Cary.
- 1665. Adam, 4th son of Sir Wm. Usher, 15, Dublin. Cary.
- 1674. Marcus Usher, son of Henry, Decani, 20. Kildare. Educ. Dub., sub. Rider.
- 1691. Wm. Usher, son of Christopher, arm. 16, Dub. Educ. Wansworth, Co. Middlesex, sub Johnson.
- 1697. Wm. Usher, son of Adam, clerk, 16, Nat. Balsoon, sub. Mr. Davy.
- 1705. James Usher, son of Marci, clk., 16, Nat. Balsoon. Dub., sub. Dr. Jones
- 1705. Frederick Usher, son of Adam, cler., 17. Dub., sub. Dr. Jones.
- 1709. Charles Usher, son of Adam, Archdn. of Clonfert, 19, born Dub., educ. Raphoe, sub Dr. Campbell.
- 1714. Samuel Usher, son of John, D. Cancellar, 20, Dub. ibidom, sub. Dr. Drury.
- 1719. Wm. Usher, Soc. Com.
- 1720. Thomas Usher, son of John, Legis. Leg. Doc., 16. Westmeath, educ. Dub.
- 1721. John Usher, son of James, arm, 18. Co. Waterford, Midleton.
- 1722. William Usber, son of Mark, clerk, 33, Queen's Co., educ. Dub. sub. Dr. Jones.
- 1722. Henry Usher, F.C., son of Wm. Usher, arm, 15. Dub.
- 1723. Arthur Fil. James, arm., 19, Co. Waterford, educ. Midleton.
- 1728. A student entered., educated by Mr. Usher, of Maryborough School.
- 1735. Wm. Usher, son of the Revd. Wm., 17, born Co. Armagh, educ. sub Dr. Skelton. Tutor, Dr. Clarke.
- 1737. Adam, son of Rev. Wm. Usher, 16, born Armagh, educ. sub. Dr. Skelton.
- 1746. John Usher, 16, son of Christopher, gent., born in Co. Wicklow, educ. sub. Mr. Bryan.

- 1751. Wm. Usher, son of Christopher, Colonel, 16, educ. Mr. Ball.
- 1754. John Usher, son of John, mercht., 17, sub. Mr. Ball, born Dublin
- 1756. Henry Usher, son of Revd. Samuel, 15, born Co. Wicklow, sub. Mr. Ball. Tutor, Mr. Hastings.
- 1776. Hemsworth Usher, son of Luke, Surgeon, Co. Galway, matr., Dec. 18, educ. M. Hacket. Tutor, Dr. Kearney.
- 1780. Usher Lee, son of Bolton Lee, arm, Waterford, med.
- 1782. Cornelius Henry, son of John Usher, gen., Co. Wicklow, sub. Mr. Ball. Tutor, Mr. Young.
- 1782. Arthur Usher, son of John, gener., Waterford.
- 1782. John Usher, son of John Usher, gen., Co. Wicklow,
- 1788. Wm. Usher, son of John, gener., Co. Waterford.
- 1788. Christopher, son of Christopher Usher, Dux nautæ defunc, 18.
- 1795. Sheldon Usher, son of Richard, apothecary, Co. Dublin. Tutor, Mr. Usber, junr.
- 1799. Usher, Glanville Doyle, son of Michl. Usher, 17, in City of Cork.
- 1799. John Usher, son of Henry (Soc), born Dunkirk.
- 1809. John Usher, S.C., son of Revd. Hemsworth, 19, Dr. Usher.
- 1816. Richard, son of Revd. Hemsworth, Westmeath, 16.
- 1818. Henry, son of Rev. Henry Ussher, Dublin, 17.
- 1820. Christopher Usher, 19, son of Christopher, gen., Co. Galway.
- 1821. John, 17, son of Cornelius Hen., cler., Dub., Mr. Wright's School.
- 1821. Wm., 15, son of Cornelius Hen., cler., Dub., Mr. Wright's School.
- 1825. George, son of Revd. Hemsworth Usher, 19, Westmeath.
- 1825. Samuel Usher, son of C. Henry, clk., olim. Soc., Dub. 16, Mr. Wright's School.

## APPENDIX III.

## NOTE OF EXCHEQUER INQUISITION, 23, 17, H. VIII.

An inquisition taken on the goods, etc., of Nicholas Holywood, on the Monday before the Feast of Ashes, 17th year of Henry VIII., recites that Nicholas Holywood was seized of the manor of Holywood, held from the King in chief, and of one house and 100 acres in le Nall. Thus seized he feoffed John Logan, etc., for the use of Katherine Bermingham, his wife, on the 10th May, 17th year H. VIII. Christopher Holywood is brother and heir of Nicholas. Katherine Bermingham is still alive. By writing on 20th January, a° . . . H. VIII. Christopher H., long before death, held a house and 60 acres in Cottellston, from the Archbp. of Dub., granted to Rt. Barnewall for the use of Christopher aforesd., and Ismay Barnewall, and also Tartaine. Xtopher H., on the 9th Oct., 17 H. VIII., made his will, and says—" For the use of Annie Sedgrave, my wife, in 13 H. VIII., I Christopher feoffed lands in Naul and Weston in le Nall to Nich. Crew for 6 years, for the use of Arland Usher, for a certain portion of marriage of Rosie Holywood my dr., wife of Arland Usher : Anne, dr. of Walter Preston, wife to my son, Thos. Holywood."

Christopher Holywood died 17 H. VIII., 1 Feb. Thos. H. was then 18 years of age, and m. Anne, dr. of Wm. Preston.

In T.C.D. MS. F. 4, 18, are some notes as to the same family: "Rob. Holywood, mil., had Xpr. (8 R. 2, 1385), who had issue Xpr., who had issue Rob. Holliwood, in sract. 1421."

Wm. f. Jo. Hol. (i. ex. admonistrator, Rob. H., mil. 1382, who m. Nesta) had issue 1, Wm. who had Jo.; 2, Rob who had Xpr. Holywood, æt. 21 m. Kath. I reston, 1448.

Rob. de H. cap. Remembrator 34 E. 3, i. 21.

Jac. Cornwallis, Baro. Scac. 1449, 28, H. 5, m. Domina Maud Plunket, and had Eleanora m. Xpr. Holywood de Tartaine, and had issue Nich., who had issue Thomas, who had issue Nicholas.

1436, Nic. f. Xpr. Hol., Vicomes Co. Dub.

Also from Dalton's Hist. Co. Dub., we learn that in 1230 John de Holywood, a famous philosopher and mathematician, went to Paris and wrote 4 books; he was

buried in the Cloisters of the Convent of St. Maturine. In 1310 Roger de Sacro Bosco was summoned to the parlt of Kilkenny. In 1361 Robt. de H. "the worthiest in chivalry," was Knted. by Lionel, Duke of Clarence. In 1373 he had  $\pounds 40$  for serving in the wars in Co. Kilkenny and Carlow, and 1377 he was required to march against the O'Byrnes and O'Tooles: that the King, in 1401, assigned Xpr. Holywood et alias to convene the Magnates, Proceres and commonalty of this Co. Dub., as they might deem it necessary. (Rot. in Canc. Hib.)

High Sheriff Co. Dublin, 1427, Sir Rob. Holywood.

Artain was the estate of the Family of the Holywoods or de Sacro Bosco.

Rob. de H. Remembr. and after Baron Scac, pd. 40s. for a license to acquire certain lands and tenem<sup>ts</sup> in Ireland. Sir Rob. H. d. 1435, leaving 3 drs. minors. One dr., Margt, m. Robt. Burnell (Rot. Cl. 19, Hen. VI.) In 1533 Richd. Delahoyde and Thos. Howth of Artane had a gr. of hered. of late Thos. H. from Crown in chief, during minority of Nich. H., son and heir, also his ward and marriage. Then Artane became residence of Thos. Howth. 1539, Elizabeth, wife of Nich. H. of Artane and heiress general of Xpr. Baron Dunsany, was passed over on her father's death, in favour of her uncle.

#### APPENDIX IV.

EXTRACTS AS TO USSHER FROM DANIEL MOLYNEUX'S VISITATION OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN, 1607.

Page 7. "Mr. Robte Vsher, Alderman of the Citty of Dublin, md. Margarett, dr. of Thomas FitzJohn, gent in the Co<sup>y</sup> of Meath, and hath issue by her 2 sons and three drs. living, the names of the sons Thomas and Richard, the names of the drs. Elenor, Margaret, Anne. The sd. Vsher md. unto his 2nd wife Katherine, the dr. of Patrick Segrave of Killeglan, gent., and hath issue by her two daughters named Elizabeth and Marie."

Page 9. "Mr. John Usher, gt. and Alderman of the Citty of Dublin, md. Ales the dr. of Wm. Newman, sometyme Maior of the Citty of Dublin, and hath issue by her one sonne named Wm. Usher."

Page 25. "Walter Ball, the eldest sonne of Barth<sup>\*</sup> Ball, gent., sometyme Maior of Dublin, the son of Thomas Ball of Stevinstown in the Co. of Dublin, and of Margaret Bermingham, the dau<sup>\*</sup> of Nicholas Bermingham in the Co<sup>\*</sup> of Meath, gent. The said Walter Ball md. Elenor Wsher, the dr. of Robart Wsher, Alderman of the Citty of Dublin; the said Walter bereth his armes as his father, by Patent as appeareth."

"John Ussher, 3rd son of Arland (of which Arland more is elsewhere written) was Mayor of Dublin in Anº 1561, and had to wife Joan Foster, of the house of Killegh, and begate 2 sonnes, Arland (of whome next) and Thomas, of whome in another place." [There is a slight mistake here. This John lived in 1485. It was John Fitz-Christopher who was Mayor in 1561.] "Arland Ussher, elder sonne, had to wife Rose Holywoode, on whome he begate Robarte Ussher, who had to his first wife Margaret Fitzjohn, on whom he begate Richard (of whome in the next descente) and three daughters; Margaret, wife to Richard Fekins, Anne, wife first to Thomas Barnewall, and after to James Sherlocke, and Elenor, wife to Walter Ball, Alderman, Mayor of Dublin, secondly to Dr. Robarte Conway, Mr. of the Jhancery, and now thirdely to Sir John Eliot, Knighte, one of the Barons of the Exchequer. Robte Ussher's second wife was Katherine Segrave, daughter of Patricke of Killeglan, on whome he begate Laurence and Robarte Ussher, now living, 1610, Elizabeth, wife 1st to Edward Catlinge and after to Christopher Linch of Coraghboy, and Rose, wife to John Shelton Alderman, Mayor of Dublin. Richard Ussher, eldest sonne of Robte, built a castle in Cromlin."

#### APPENDIX V.

FUNERAL ENTRIES OF USSHER, ETC., IN THE ULSTER OFFICE.

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Christopher Ussher als Vlster, Kinge of Armes and principall herald of Ireland, was buryed in St. Johne's Church, the xxvth of June, 1597. Leveret Athlon sined at his funerall and had given him a slacke gowne, and his fee; he died without issue, unmarried.

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Vsfher, quartered with Uscher

of Dublin of Yorks.

Arland, 3 sonne of Tho. Uffher, in St. Warborogh's Church, xxth of August, 1598: he had by his wyfe, Margt. Stan<sup>3</sup>hurst, da<sup>4</sup>. of James Stanyhurst, somtyme recorder of Dublin; mother by him to James, Ambrose, Margaret, Mable, Thomasin, Anne, Sarah, Elizabeth and Eleanor; he died xixth of August, and bur. the xxth of the same month.

i. 23—

John Usfher of Dublin, merchant, eldest son of Tho. Uffher, was buryed in St. Johne's Church, the 21st of April, 1599, he had to wyfe Katherin, da. to Patricke Maye, by whom he had issu: Walter and two daughters, Amy, wife to Robt. Malpas, mercht. of Dublin, and Mary.

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Rose Vsfher, buryed in St. Mighan's, the xxvith of December, 1601, she was the wyfe of John Shelton of Dublin, Alderman, Maior.

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Robert Conway, Doctor in Cyvill Law, buryed in St. Patrick's Church, the xxviiith of August, 1602, he was twice maried, his first wyfe was Mary Purden, by whom he had issu : Cheristopher, son, and Christian, wife to Marke, eldest sonne of Henry Ussher, Lo. Primate; 2 maryed Usser's dr., v. dow to Balle.

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Margaret Whyte, buryed the xxvith of April, 1603. She was the wyfe of Laurence Ussher, merchant, by whom . . .

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Ales, dr. of Tho. Ussher, lived above threescore years, decd. ye 23 of November, 1607. She lived unmarried and died a maid, is bur. in Christ Church.

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Ales, dr. of Wm. Newman, Alderman and Maior of Dublin and wyfe of John Ussher, Ald. Maior of the same citie, was bur. in Christe's Church, the last of Jan. 1601. Shee was mother to Chropher (dead in his youth) and Sir William Ussher, Knight, Clerk generall of the Councill.

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George Uscher, sometime merchant of Dublin, dec. the xixth of Januarie, 1609; he had to wife Anne Kenan, and had issue: Gerald (that died before him), Rose, Cicelie, Katherin, Mary, Ales and Jane.

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Rose, dr. of Thomas Ussher, wife, first to John Mony, secondly to . . . Vies, and thirdly to John Garvie, Lo. Archb. of Armagh, and Lo. Primate of all Ireland, deceased in Decemb., 1612, and is buried in Xt Xch, Dublin.

Christopher Lynch of Croboy, in y<sup>e</sup> countie of . . . learned in the lawes and sometime Recorder of Drogheda, dec. 29 or 30 of March, 1613. He had to wife Elizabeth, dr. of Robte Uscher, of Dublin, Alderman, by whom he had issu: Robarte Leonell, Mary Margerie, Eleonor, Margaret, Mable, fraunces, Elizabeth, Jane, Amie and Ismay.

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- Henry Uscher, Lo. Archbp. of Armagh and Lo: Primate of all Ireland, dec. at Termonfeaghan the seconde of Aprill, 1613, being Good-Friday, and is buried at (.:. St. Peter's) St. Marie's, Drogheda. He had to his first wife Margt. Eliot, seven sonnes and two daughters, Marke, Luke, Thomas, John, Mathew, Richard, Robert, Jane, wife to Robert Ball, Alderman and twice Maior of Dublin, and Rose, wife to Capt. Edwd. Trevor. His second wife is Mary Smith, who bore him 3 daughters.
- Robarte Linaker, sometime Shreive of Dublin, deceased the 25 or 26 of December, 1620. He had to wife Mary, daughter of George Ussher, sometime of Dub<sup>n</sup>, and left issue: Stiven, Elizabeth frances and Constance besides others who died younge.
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  - Elenor Uscher, dec. the 5th of December, 1613. She was wife, first to Walter Ball of Dublin, Alderman and Maior of Dublin; secondly to Dr. Robt. Conway, one of y° Masters of y° Chancery, and thirdly to S<sup>r</sup> Jo. Eliot, Kt.

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Vol. ii. p. 50-Richard Ussher of Cromlin, dec. the of Auguste 1625. p. 93-Jane, daughter of Henry Ussher, sometime Lord Primace of all Ireland and wife of Robert Ball, Alderman, Mayor of Dublin, deceased on Monday, the 5th June, 1620. Vol. iv. 1-Judith Newcomen, wife of Arthur, son and heir of Sir Wm. Usher, was buried in St. Owne's Church, 30 July, 1652. iv. p. 2-Joslin Usher, of Balsoone, in the Co. Meath. 1657 Arms Departed the day of and was Usher quartered buried y 30 July, 1657, married Maudlin, with Kinaston. daughter of Kinaston. Usher, Kinaston a lion rampant sable. p. 27-Vsher and Burford, 1658. 3 bears' heads sable. p. 44-Mr. Alentor Usher departed this life the last day of July, 1659, and was buried the 2nd day of Augt. following, in Xt Xch, Dublin. Arms Usher quartered with Usher of Dublin of Yorks. p. Trevor, young son of Coll. Trevor, departed this life the ninth day of June, 1661, and was buried the eleventh day of the same moneth, in St. Owin's Church, Dublin. Arms, Trevor and Whitchurch. p. 80-Usher and Kenede. Mr. Usher departed this life the 17th day february, 1662, and was buried the 19th day of the same in St. John's Xch, Dublin, 1662. Mr. Usher dep. this life the 22nd of Aprill, 1664, and was buried the 23rd

day of the same month.

Mary, dr. of Robt. Lill, of Trim, late wife of Capt. Henry Packenham, of Tulenaly, by whom she had 5 sons and 3 drs., viz.—Thos., Theophilus, Phillip, Wm., and Henry; the drs.—Elenor, Mary and Martha, all unmarried; she died Monday, the 12th day of June, 1665, interred 16th.

Lille and Usher. Lille departed this mortall life the 19th day of Aprill, 1667, and was buried the 19th day, same month, 1667.

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Meredith-Usher.

The Lady Meredith departed this life the 11th day of May, 1669, and was buried the 15th day of the same moneth in St. Patrick's Xch, 1669.

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Travor and Whitchurch and Travor and Lewis.

Mark Travor, Lord Visct. Dungannon, dep. this life the day of Januy., 1669, and was buried the day of same month.

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Vsher and Gough.

George Usher, son of Walter, Alderman of the Citty of Dublin, was maried to [Alson], eldest daughter of Ald. Patrick Gough, of the sd. Citty, by whom he had issue, now living, 4 sonnes: Patrick Usher, John [Ignatius] and Walter; 3 drs., viz., Mary, Ann and Barbara; the sd. first mentioned George Vsher dep. this mortall life the 3rd day of July, 1671, and was interred with funerall rites in St. James Church, Dublin.

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Molyneux and Usher.

[Jane] Usher was md. to Daniel Molyneux, Ulster King of Armes of all Ireland, by whom she had issue, Samuell and Adam; the aforesaid Usher dep. this life the 17th May, and buried 19th of same month in St. Owen's Xch, Dublin, 1674.

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Judith Usher, dr. of Sir Wm. Vsher, was m. to Sir James Weyms, by whom Elizabeth and Mary Weyms. The 1st mentd. Judith depd. this mortall life the 11th Oct., and was interred the 14th of same month in St. Owen's Xch, 1674.

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Mr. Peter Holmes depd. this mortall life the 2nd of December, and was bd. the 3rd in St. Michan's Xch, in Oxmantown, Dublin, 1675. He was married to Bridgett Usher, dr. of Robert Usher, of Cromlin, by whom

he had issue, 3 sons and 4 daughters, viz. : George, Robert and Gilbert; Margt., Ann, Mary and Jane.

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Kath., 2nd dr. of Arthur Usher, Esq., son of Sir Wm. Usher, depa. this mortall life the 2nd of Jany., and was buried the 6th of the same in St. Owen's Church, Dublin, 1681. She marryed Percivall of. . . .

# p. 276—

Usher-Kennaston.

Maudlin, da. of Kennaston, of , dep. life y° 22nd of Jany., 168<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, and was buried y° 25th of y same, in y° Xch of Balsoon, in Co. Meath. She md. Joslin Vsher, of Balsoone, by whom had issue many children, of which only 2 are living, viz., Mark and Margaret.

#### p. 277—

Sir Hans Hambleton, K. and Bt., d. 14th Feb., 1681, burd. at Mulogbrack, m. Maudiin, 3rd dr. of Sir Ed. Trevor, by whom, Sara (d. 24th Oct.), m. Sir Robt. Hambleton, Knt., by whom one son, Hans Hambleton.

#### p. 280-

Mr. Nevill dep. this mortall life 13th Sept., bud. 16th, 1682, in the country, wife Usher.

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Rose, dr. of Henry Usher, sometime Lo. Arsbishop of Armagh, and Primate of all Ireland, dec. the last of Oct., 1623. She was mar. to Sir Ed. Trevor, of Rose-Trevore, Knt. and one of the Privie Council, by whom she had issue: Markes, Edwd., Margery, Sarah and Magdalen. She was b. in Xch of Clandally, Co. D.

#### p. 38—

Rose, dr. of Rich. Ussher, of Cromline, in the Co. D., dec. 13th of Oct., 1624. She was mar. to Tho. Challoner, of Dub., merct., by whom she had John and Luk. She was buried in St. Audoen's Xch in Dub.

#### p. 69—

Morish Eustace, of Clongowes road, d. 1624, m. Joan, dr. of John Eustace, of Castlemartin, by whome issue; m. 2ndly, Eliz., dr. of Richard Usher, of Cromlin, by whom issue.

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Margt., dr. of James Stainhurst, dec, the of Novr., 1626. She was mar. to Arland Ussher, by whom she had issue, the Most Rev. Father in God, James, Lo. Arbp. of Armagh, &c., Ambrose, Margt., Mable, Tomesin, Anne, Sarah, Elizth. and Eleanor.

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Arthur Usher, sonn and heir of Sir Wm. Usher, Knt., dec. 2nd March being Mondaie, 1628, wife, Judith, dr. of Sir R. Newcomen, Knt., by whom he left issue. Was drowned at Donabrooke.

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Walter Archbold, of Timolin, Co. Kildare, decd. the Septr., 1629. He had to his 1st wife, Elizabeth, dr. of Thomas Eustace, of Molaughcash, sd. co. His 2nd wife Anne, dr. of Robert Ussher, of Cromlin, issue: Richd. and James, was buried in mone in y<sup>e</sup> Co. Kildare.

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Luke Usher, Archdeacon of Armagh, deceased the 6th of November, 1632; he had to wife, Mary O'Connor, by whome he had issue : Arland, Christopher, Toby, Francis, Wm., John, Margaret, Dorothy, Susan and Christian.

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Marke Ussher, decd. the of Jany., 1632; he had to wife Christian, dr. of Robert Conway, Doctor in the Cyvil Law, by whome he had issue.

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Adam Ussher, 2nd son to Sir Wm. Ussher, Knt., dec. 1st July, 1633, by a fall from his horse, before a shorte time succeed after Daniel Molyneux in the office of Ulster King of Armes.

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Margt., dr. of Arthur Ussher, son of Sir Wm., decd. 20th July, 1633, she m. Paul Davies, left issue, Wm.

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Francis Kynaston of Pantiborsly in Shropshire, descended of the house of Oatley, in the said Shire, and after heere in Ireland, of Saull, in the Co. of Doune, Esq., deceased about the 1st of October, 1633, and was buried in the p'sh xch of Doune; he had to wife. Kath., dr. of John Trevore of Brynkynalt, Esq., in Denbyshire, by whom he had issue: Edward, Robert Arthur Marmaduc, Jane married to Robert Ussher, Provost of T.C.D.; Susan m. to Richard Hamilton of Ballygilbert, Co. D., Esq.; Katherine Mary m. to James Melvyn of Ballykillin, in Co. Downe, Esq.; Rose m. to Nicholas Fitzsimonds of Killcliffe, Co. D., gt., Magdalin and Margarett.

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Christopher Peirce, 2nd son of Henry Peirce of Tristenagh, in the Co. of Westmeath, Esq., deceased the vii of June, 1634. He had to wife,

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Elizabeth, dr. of Marke Usher of Ballsoon, in the Co. of Meath, Esq., by whom he had issue: Henry, Thomas, Marke; he is buried in the Chappell of Tristenagh.

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Robert Witherall of Rosetown, Co. Meath, gent., sonn of Robert Witherall of ... took to wife, Margery, dr. of Henry Vsher, sometyme Primat of Ireland, by whome he had issue, 2 sons and 2 daughters, viz.: Dudly, eldest son, and Robert died younge. Beatrix the eldest dr., and Margery the 2nd dr. The sd Robt. dep. this life at Enishkellin, the ... of Sept., 1634, and was interred at Enishkellin aforesaid. His relict m. John Jeeve of Drogheda, Alderman (4th Oct., 1637, taken).

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Edmund Malone of Dublin, Alderman, d. 3rd Sept., interred in St. Audoen's Church, 14 same moneth, 1635. Hee had to wife Margarett, dr. of Richard Usher of Cromlin, Esq., by whom hee had issue: Wm. Malone, his onely son and heir, who m. Elizth., dr. of Thos. Conran of Wyanstowne, Esq., Co. Dub.; Mary m. Walter Conran of Dub., mrt., Elizth. m. David Begg, sontime Sheriff of Dublin; Frances m. Richard Dillon of Clonebrock; Elenor Malone, a nunne; Margaret m. Paul Turner, Bridget and Joan.

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Walter Ussher of Dub., Ald., departed this mortall life the 3rd of Aprill, and was interred in the church of St. John's in Dub., the seventh of Aprill, 1636. Hee had to wife, Mary, dr. of George Kenedie of Dublin, Alderman, by whome he had issue fower sonnes and one dr., viz. : John, George, Christopher, Mathew, and Anne m. John Brice of Dub., merchant.

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Sir Beverly Newcomen, Knt. and Bt., Capt. of his Ma<sup>40</sup>. good shipp called the Swallowe, and Admirall of the Irish seas, m. Margt., 3rd dr. of Sir Wm. Ussher, Knt., Clk of y<sup>e</sup> Council, by whome he had issue, Arthur Cicely, d.y., and Kath. He and Arthur were drowned 28th Aprill, 1637, at Passage, near Waterford, as they were coming in a long boat from the King's said ship.

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Bartholomew Rely, eldest son and heir of Barnaby of Tymothan, Co. Dub. m. Amy, dr. of Robt. Usher of Cromlin.

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Elizth., wife of Sir Wm. Usher.

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Elizth., dr. of Michael Berford of Kilrow, m. Capt H. Usher of Sutton, burd. in Chapel of Sutton near Sutton, in isle Howth, 11th May, 1662.

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Mary Warburton m. Capt. Geo. St. Barbe, and had issue, Ursula m. Sir Wm. Usher of Dublin.

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Robert Bremingham of Ballogh, Co. Dub., gen., eldest son and heir Wm. of Ballogh, Esq., Barister, eldest s. and h. of Walter, s. and h. of Wm., s. and h. of Christopher Bremingham, s. and h. of John, s. and h. of Richard, s. and h. of Hugh Bremingham of same, Esq., took to 1st wife Margt., dr. of Allenter Usher of Dublin, gent., and sister of Archbp. James Usher, by whom he had 3 sons and six drs., viz., Wm. d. y., James, J.P., m. Ellinor, dr. of Nicholas fzwms. of Baldungan, Co. Dub., Theophilus, Ellinor m. Wm. Halpenny, Clonekean, Co. Louth, gt.; Mabell m. John Sterne, of Greenane, C. Down, official to Theo., Bp. of Dromore, and to Henry, Ld. Bp. of Doune; Margt. m. Barth. Staples of Drogheda, Sarah m. Antony Buckworth of Dromore; Anne, unmd., Alson m. John Fleming of Ardagh, Co. Meath, gt. Robt. m. 2, Ann, dr. of Richd. Cashell of Dundalk, and Relict of Robert Fleming of Drogheda, and had issue, Wm. Bremingham.

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Elenor, dr. of Arlanton Usher of Dublin, gent.; she was m. to Rt. Lill of Trim, Esq., Justice of Peace, Co. Meath, by whom she had 2 sons and 5 drs., Wm., James, Cicelie m. Thos. Burrowes of Stradon, Co. Cavan, gt., Anne Mary, Martha, Sarah; Elenor d. 22nd Nov., 1640; she was bd. in St. Patrick's Church, Trim, 26th sd. month.

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John Trevor, eldest son and heir of Sir Ed. Trevor of Rosstrevor, eldest son and heir of John Trevor of Brynkynalt, gt., eldest son and heir of Edward Trevor of same. John (1st) m. Margt., dr. of John Jeffreys of Arcten in Co. Denbigh, J.P., by whom he had Edward, John, Kath., Margt., Joane, d.y., Jane, Rose, Anne, Martha, Elizth., all young. John Trevor died at Ballyclandon, 5th June, 1640, and is interred in Clandallin.

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Elizabeth Usher, dep. 1st Feb., bur. 4th in the Church of Balsoon, 1684;

1st m. Christopher Pierce, by whom she had several children, Mark and Jane. She m. 2ndly, . . . Bellwood, by whom one son and 2 drs., viz.: Usher, Maudlin and Christian: she m. 3rdly, Michael Haytor, by whom one dr., Lettice; her 4th husbd. was Wm. Howard, by wh. she had no issue.

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Judith Usher, wife to Sir J. Wemys, depd. this mortall life the 11th of October and was interred the 18th of y<sup>e</sup> same month in St. Owen's Church, Dublin, 1674.

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Hamilton Magenis Usher

Arms. Wm. Hamilton of Erenagh in Co. Downe, Esq. (third sonn of Wm. Hamilton, who was brother to y<sup>e</sup> Right Hon. Lord Visct. Claneboy) tooke to his first wife Elenor, dr. of Magennis, gent., by whom he had issue, James, eldest sonn and heire, who married Ann, dr. of y<sup>e</sup> late Lord Mordant in  $y^{\circ}$  kingdome of England, by whom he had issue one sonn. 2nd wife Christian dar. of Joslin Usher sonn of Mark Usher who was sonn of Henry Usher, who was sonn of Henry Usher, Lord Primate of Ireland by whom he had issue, Joslin, who is yet unmarried, and Christian md. to James Hamilton, sonn of Hans Hamilton, who was sonn of Wm. Hamilton, a younger br. to y<sup>e</sup> late Ld. Visct. Claneboy, hereinbefore mentioned. The sd. 1st md. Wm. H., d. 26th January, 1680, and lyes interred in Downpatrick.

Subscription of James Hamilton of Newcastle, 1686. Baron Hilton and Usher.

Usher, bur. 5th April, 1658, in Church of Balsoon.

Usher, d. and burd. 23rd April, 1664.

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The Lady Philips dep. this life the 1st April, 1671, burd. 6th in St. Audoen's Xch, Dublin, 1671. 

# APPENDIX VI.

ENTRIES RELATING TO USHER AND USSHER IN THE PAROCHIAL REGISTERS OF DUBLIN CHURCHES.

Registers St. Nicholas Within.

Daniel, son of Daniel Usher, bap. 8th July, 1393.

From the lost Registers of St. Nicholus Without the Walls.

1648. 8 June, Bapt. Elizabeth, d. Xpri. Usher.

1654. 2 May, , Wm. f. Xpri. Usher, St. Patr. St.

165<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>. 6 Jan., ,, Anne, d. Xpri. Usher, Patr. St.

1645. 11 May, Bur. Tho. Usher.

1657. 5 Nov., , Wm. f. Xpri. Usher, s'pox.

1659. 4 Novr., " Xpr. Usher, of Patr'k St.

1670. 13 Novr., Bapt. Robt. f Robti. Sterne, New St.

1665. 29 June, " Margt. f. Robti Sterne, New St.

MS. F. 4. 14. T.C.D. Extracts from St. Audoen's Registers, by Danl. Molyneux Ulster.

Judith f. Mr. Wm. Usher + 8 May, 1636. Elizabeth f. Wm. Usher, mil. + 27 Sept., 1637. Jo. f. Wm. Ushr mil. + 10 March, 1645. Wm. f. Wm. Usher, mil. + 25 Nov., 1647. Sir Wm. Usher and Mrs. Ursula St. Barbe, mar. 19th May, 1645. Mrs. Judith Usher, seps. 1 Aug., 1652. Henry f. W. Usher, mil. seps. 18 Feb., 1658. Sir Wm. Usher, seps. 23 Apr., 1671. Maud, dr. Dr. Robt. Usher, Bp. Kildare, bur. 20 April,  $163\frac{7}{8}$ . Lady Eliz. Usher, seps. 1 Dec., 1638. Sr. Jac. Weams and Mrs. Judith Usher, mar. 5 Feb., 1665. Theoph, Usher, son y° Bp. of Kild., seps. Nov. 29, 1638. Wm. f. Xpr. and Martha Usher + 19 Novr., 1675.

A Marriage Licence, May 12, for the marriage of Sir Wm. Usher and Ursula Saint Barbe of Dublin.

Other Entries in the present Registers.

Sylvester, son of John and Ales Ussher, bur. Oct. 11, 1672. Martha, dr. of Squire Xpr. and Martha Ufsher + July 17, 1676 Wm. Barry and Ales Usher, mar. by publicn. Novr. 1, 1678.

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Martha, wife of Xpr. Usher, Esq., bur. Sept. 30, 1682. Wm., the son of Counsellor John Usher, bur. Mar. 30, 1684. Samuell, the son of Counsellor John Usher, bur. Jan. 28, 1687. Nehemiah Donilan, Esq., and Martha Usher, mar. Mar. 21, 1693. Martha, dr. of Nehemiah and Martha Donilan, bap. Nov. 18, 1694. Sir Wm. Davys, Knt., Ld. C. Justice of K. B., bur. Sept. 24, 1687. Robert Taylor, Esq., and Judith Usher, married Decr. 13, 1696. The Lady Usher (Ursula St. Barbe), bur. Aug. 28, 1692. Nehemiah Donilan, Esq., Lord Chief Baron of I., bur. Decr. 26, 1705. Martha, dr. of Mr. Wm. and Letice Usher, bap. June 25, 1696. bur. May, 1st, 1709. ,, " ••• ,, Mary, the daughter of John Usher, Esq., bur. Oct. 9, 1697. Letice, dr. of Mr. Wm. and Lettice Usher, bap. June 20, 1697. bur. Oct. 12, 1701. •• ,, ,, ,, Xpr., son of Wm. Usher, Esq., and Letice, bap. July 9, 1698. bur. April 8, 1699. ,, ,, Jane, the dau. of Dennecs Usher, bur. Oct, 18, 1703. Wm., son of Wm. Usher, Esq., and Letice, bap. Sept. 21, 1703. bur. March, 14, 1705. " •• •• ,, Christopher Usher, Esq., buried June 10, 1706. Henry, son of Wm. Usher, Esq., and Letice, bap. Sept. 24, 1706. bur. Dec. 6, 1741. ,, ,, ,, Lettice, dr. of Wm. Usher, Esq., and Letice, bap. Jan. 19, 1707. bur. Aug. 15, 1713. " Arthur Usher, Esq., (br. of Sir Wm.), bur. Nov. 24, 1707. Alice, the daughter of Dr. John Usher, bur. April 7, 1707. Alice, wife of Dr. Usher, buried in the Chancel, Nov. 30, 1709. Martha Maynard, wife to Mr. Willm., buried in Squire Usher's Vault, Jan. 17, 1713. Elizabeth Usher, buried in St. Anne's Isle, July, 27, 1725. Letice Usher, buried Oct. 16, 1729. Ann Usher, buried Oct. 24, 1729. Catherine, dau. of Chas. and Mary Usher, bap. Nov. 28, 1731. Doctor John Usher, buried Feb. 26, 1732. George and Alice, children of John and Sarah Usher, bap. Feb. 26, 1735. Barbara, dau. of Chas. and Mary Usher, bapt. Jan. 11, 1736. John, son of John darah Usher, bapt. Apr. 20, 1736 Frances Usher [Francis], Mouldsworth Str., bur. Dec. 11, 1738.

Archdeacon Usher, buried in the Church, Jan. 18, 1744. John Donnellan, buried in the Chancel Vault, Aug. 12, 1744. Adam Usher, buried in the Chancel, Sept. 10, 1745, from Clontarfe. ---- Usher, Esq. [Wm. of Usher's Quay], buried July 8, 1747. Mrs. Usher from Jervis Str., buried Aug. 23, 1748. Mrs. Ann Usher, in the Chancel, buried May 6, 1752. John, son of John and Ann Usher, bap. Feb. 25, 1754. Catherine Donnellan, in y° Xch, buried Jan. 5, 1756. Henry Usher, from King Str., Stephen's Green, buried Jan. 23, 1761. Christopher Usher, Esq., buried Sept. 5, 1763. Mrs. Ussher, of Mt. Ussher, Co. Wicklow, in the family vault, buried Sept. 4, 1769. Charles Ussher, Esq., from Capel Str., buried Jan. 2, 1770. Mrs. Ussher, from Clare Str., buried March 10, 1770. Mr. Garnett, wife of the Bp. of Clogher, in the Usher Vault, May 8, 1770 Mrs. Usher, from Stephen's Green, buried July 17, 1803, Entries in St. Michan's Registers, Dublin. Elinor Usher, widow, buried Oct. 14, 1662. John, son of Adam Usher, Clk. bapt. 8 Sept., 1686; burd. May 11, 1688, in y<sup>e</sup> 3rd vault on the left hand of the Chancel. Jane f. John Usher, arm. and Alice, bur. 17 Feb., 1693. Wm. f. 24 July, 1697. • • • • ,, " Rebekah, wife of Rev. Adam Usher, bur. Aug. 10, 1695 Buried Alice, the wife of John Usher, 1692. Theoph. f. Rob. Usher, Episc., Darens and Jana, bap. 10 Jan., 1637. Margery f. •• 9 June, 1639. ,, ,, " Marcks f. •• 9 Oct., 1640. ,, ,, ,, •• Ann f. Adam and Rebecca Usher, bap. 24 ffeb., 1678. Wm. f. Adam and Rebecca Usher, bap. 12 May, 1680. Rebecca f. Adam Usher, Minister, and Rebecca, bap. 18 April, 1682. Frederic f. ,, " 23 Nov., 1689. ,, ,, ,, Adam f. ,, 28 Mar., 1691. ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, { ,, 4 Aug., 1692. bur. 4 Feb., 1693. Arthur f. ,, ,, ,, Charles bap. 6 Feb., 1693. " ,, ,, ,, Sarah, dr. of Edward Lord Bishop Usher, bap. 11 Oct., 1642, at Oswestry. Wm. Usher, bachelor, buried at St. Michan's, March 18, 1686.

# St. Paul's Registers, Dublin. Mr. Adam Usher, buried 1713.

St. Ann's Registers, Dublin.

Capt. Thomas Ormsby, and Barbara Baldwin, Feb. 5, 1769. Thos., son to Rev. Fred and Martha Martyr Usher, bap. Aug. 25, 1730. Wm., son to Cristopher and Elizth. Usher, May 29, 1731. ,, Christopher, son to Christopher and Elizth. Usher, Feb. 4, 1732. ,, April 21, 1733. Elizth., dr. to Thos. and Eliz. Usher, ., John, son to Thos. and Eliz. Usher, April 5, 1734. •• June 8, 1739. Sarah, dr. to John and Sarah Usher, ,, June 30, 1740. Elizth., " ,, ,, April 1, 1743. Alice, " ,, ... ,, ,, July 13, 1744. Charles, son to ,, ,, ,, ,,

Isabella, dr. of Christopher and Margt. Ussher, bap. May 9th, 1768. Henry Ussher and Frances Warring, with a Consistl. Lic. by Rev. Mr. Holt, April 8th, 1739.

John Congreve to Mary Usher, April 29th, 1751.

St. Werburgh's Registers, Dublin.

Margt. Usher als Brimingham, sister to ye Primate, bur. Nov. 27th, 1630. Margt., dr. of Peter Usher, Hoy's Court, Inft., bur. Sept., 1745.

James, son of	,,	,,	,,	,,	Bap. 1737.
Christopher "	,,	,,	,,	,,	,, Nov. 12th, 1739.
David "	,,	,,	,,	,,	" Oct. 26th, 1741.
Margt., dr. of	,,	,,	,,	,,	,, Dec. 12th, 1742,
Elizth, Usher, Bl	lind Qu	iay, a	ged 68,	bur.	April 2nd, 1718.

St. Catherine's Registers, Dublin.

Bur. yº 15th Decr., 1698, Walter Usher, a priest.

24th Jany., 1699, Ellis Usher. ,,

St. Andrew's Registers, Dublin.

Bapt. 15th Feb., 1718, Kath., dr. of Christopher and Eliz. Usher.

- 8th March, 1749, Martha, " ,, ,, ,, ,, July 20th, 1724, Jane ,,
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St. Bride's Registers, Dublin.

Nicholas, son of John Usher, bur. at St. Michael's a Pole, 27th Feb., 1695. Richard Baldwin, Esq., and Mary Usher, spr., Oct. 7th, 1734. Wm., son of Henry and Frances Usher, Peter St., bap. May 28th, 1740. Bur Ann, wife of John Usher, gent., from St. Bride's Alley, June 18th, 1704.

Mary, dr. of Wm. Usher, bap. 9ber. 15th, 1664.	,					
Thos., son of Thos. Usher ,, 1665.						
Elizth., dr. of Wm. Usher ,, 1665.						
St, John's Registers, Dublin.						
Mary, dr. to Walter Ussher, bur. Jan. 25th, 1622.						
St. Thos.' Registers, Dublin.						
Richard Wolsely, Esq., and Miss Lettice Marlay, md.						
by the Bishop of Clogher,	31st Jany., 1765.					
Richd. Ussher, son of R. Wolsely, and Lettice, his	• •					
wife, Marlborough St.,	Bap. May 7th, 1766.					
The wife of Rd. Wolsely, Esq., a son,	March 27th, 1767, Puc.					
Anthony Ussher, son of Sir Richd. and Lady Lettice	, , ,					
Wolsely, Earl St.,	Bap. Sept, 23rd, 1772.					
Thomas Waldron, Esq. and Elizth. Baldwin, md. by	· · /					
the Bishop of Cork,	Feb. 2nd, 1774.					
Thomas Usher and Rebecca Walsh, C. Lic., by the	<i>.</i>					
Rev. Mr. Usher,	May 31st, 1777.					
Capt. Thomas Usher, aged 49 years, bur.	Dec. 15th, 1788.					
St. Peter's Registers.						
Oliver, son of John and Susanna Usher, bapt. 24th De	e., 1754.					
Capt Usher, burd. 8th Feb., 1754.	,					
Emilia Olivia St. George, only dr. of the late Rt. Hon. 1	Usher, Lord St. George.					
to his Grace Wm. Robt. Fzgd., Duke of Leinster. Special Lic. 4th Novr., 1757.						
Usher, Arabella and Revd. Charles Ed. Molloy, 6th Mar., 1810.						
Usher, Thos. and Caroline Warren, 14th Nov., 1810.						
Usher, John, Harcourt St., bur. 15th Oct., 1810.						
Usher, Noble Luke, son of Thos. and Caroline, bap. 9th Aug., 1815.						
Ussher, Richarda, dr. of Thos. and Marianne, bap. 23rd June, 1819.						
Ussher, Ellis, to Xavirius Blake, 25th Oct., 1817.						
Ussher, Richd. Beverly and Henrietta Boileau, 3rd Av	ug., 1822.					
Usher, Caroline, aged 27 years, burd. from St. Andr. P'sh, 13th Sept., 1816.						
Usher, Wm., aged 35 years, St. Peter's P'sh, 17th May, 1817.						
John, son to Peter Usher, of King St., { bap. Jan. 20th, 1722, bur. Feb. 28th, 1722.						
Margt., dr. to Peter and Eliz. Usher, of King St., bap	. Feb. 4th, 1721.					

### APPENDIX VII.

An extract from Sir Wm. Brereton's Travels in Ireland, 1634-5.

- "1635, July 8. St. Owen's is the parish wherein my lord Primate was born; and here in this church doeth he preach every Lord's-day at eight o'clock whilst he is in town. I heard him upon Sabbath last, the most excellent able man, and most abundantly holy, gracious man that I have heard."
- "July 10. This day I dined with my Lord Primate, Dr. Usher, who is a tall, proper comely man, about fifty-six years of age; a plain, familiar, courteous man, who spends the whole day at his study, except meal time. He seems to be a man of pregnant parts, who hath good intelligence; he is well read in antiquities. His entertainment good and plentiful. He is a most good and plentiful host, but nothing curious nor excessive. He is a most holy, well-affected bishop, a good companion, a man of good discourse. Having some conference with him about the reading of the book which gives liberty for recreation\* upon the Lord's day, he used this expression, that there was no clause therein commanding the ministers to read the book, but if it were published in the church by the clerk or churchwardens, the King's command is performed ; this was his sense and opinion. Here was this day at dinner Dr. Richardson, Bishop of Ardagh, a Cheshire man, and good scholar; he was born near Chester, and married Sir Henry Bunburie's daughter, whom I went to visit after dinner, a tall, handsome, fat woman. The Bishop is an intelligent man, and gave me good resolution and satisfaction in many things."
- "July 12. I heard my Lord Primate at eight hour at St. Owen's Church, which is his parish, wherein he was born, where he preacheth every Sabbath whilst he is in Dublin. I never heard a more powerful and convincing sermon, and indeed he is a most holy and heavenly man, and as pregnant witted as any I have heard. He doth most industriously apply his study which he hath placed at a good distance from his house, to prevent distraction and diversion by the access of any company to visit him, who are not admitted to disturb his studies. This his course and

<sup>\*</sup> The Book of Sports, first published by King James I. in 1618; and by King Charles I. in 1633.

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order is so public as that few come to him at any time of the day, save at the hours of relaxation, which is from eleven to one, and so about supper time; the rest of the day, from five in morning until six in evening, is spent ordinarily in his study. I dined with him also July 13th, and then he was much more free and familiar with me. I had much private conference with him, and after dinner he took me into his closet, where although there be not very many books, yet those that are, much used and employed. . . .

"He showed me his Articles of Religion, printed 1563; but I left mine with him which was more ancient and orthodox than his."

### APPENDIX VIII.

# USSHER PROPERTY MENTIONED IN Co. DUBLIN SURVEY AND DISTRIBUTION Book, 1657.

Portraine Parish-

Proprietor.

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Sir Wm. Usher, Protestant, Lambay Island, 100 acres, 100 acres, Prot. Finglas Parish—

Christopher Plunket, pt. of Ballygobban, 79A. 2R. 20P. Sir Timothy Tyrrell. Cromlin, 810-78A. 3R. 32P. Robert Usher, not sequestered.

Alexander [? Arlander] Usher in Crumlin, 55A. OR. OP.

181A. 3R. 24P. Richd. Brice.

Peter Nottingham, of Ballyowen, in Clondalkin parish, bought.

Lymerick Nottingham, Manager of Estate, 80-Peter Nottingham.

# St. Kevan's Parish-

C. S. Sir Wm. Usher, prot. Phe. of St. Pulcher.

340A. OR. OP., viz., Acrescross, als Haroldscross 176A. 3R. 24P., and other lands between the highway from Newport and the way from Kevinport.

## Crumlin Parish-

Orlando Usher, In Crumlio.

78A. 32. 32P., 78A. 3R. 30P. Robert Usher not sequestered. Wm. and Ignatius Purcell bought.

Donnabrooke Parish---

Sir Wm. Usher, Engl., Prot., Donnebrooke, containing 80A.

Taune Parish. Rathdown ½ parish.

Sir Wm. Usher, pt. of Milltown,

### Balrudery Parish-

Robt. Usher, Balrath, 36A., 29A. Robert Usher.

7A. ,, not sequestered.

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Robert Usher, of Crumlin,

Killenan 137A.

Robert Usher, Balruddery, several

Tenements undistinguished 27. P. Barnwell

# Naule Parish-

Robert Usher, of Crumlin, Newnings, 34 ,,

Part of Reynoldstown 18

Balscadan Psh. Tobbertash bought by Geo. Usher, Grange of Balscadan, 150A. George Usher bought Baldongan parish. Butlertown, 380A. George Usher and Ignatius and W. Gough.

"Misplaced or stolen from the Revd. Henry Jenny, of Mullaghbrack, at his lodgings at Mr. Jones, in the Lord Chief Baron's yard, on Cork Hill, Dublin, nine of his choicest sermons in one volume in 8vo. If any person can give intelligence of them, so that they may be had, shall have 3 guineas reward at Darby's Coffee House, in Skinner's Row, they being of singular value to the Author, but of no use to anybody else."—Dublin Gazette, July 26th and 27th, 1708.

#### APPENDIX IX.

Extracts from the Charter granted by Queen Elizth. to Trin. Coll. Dub. : "Cum dilectus subditus noster, Henricus Ussher, Archidiaconus Dubliniensis, nobis humiliter supplicavit, nomine civitatis Dubliniensis pro eo quod nullum Collegium pro scholaribus in bonis literis et artibus erudiendis infra regnum nostrum Hib. adhuc existit : ut Unum Col. matrem Universitatis juxta civ<sup>m</sup>. Dub<sup>n</sup>. ad meliorem educ<sup>m</sup>. institut<sup>m</sup>. et instruc<sup>tionem</sup> sch<sup>m</sup>. et studentium in regno nostro predicto erigere fundare et stabilire dignaremur ac etiam ut aliquo modo commode provideretur pro relevamine et sustentatione Præpositi Sociorum et scholarium quorundam, Sciatis, &c.

> "Primos et modernos Socios ibidem facimus licenciamus, constituimus et ordinamus, Henricum Ussher, in artibus magistrum, Lucam Challoner, in artibus magistrum, Et Lancellot Monie in Artibus Baccalaureum per presentes Nomine plurium. 3 martis.

34° anno. Eliz."

A letter from Dr. Robert Usher, afterwards Bishop of Kildare, to Doctor James Usher, afterward Archbishop of Armagh-

"Ornatissimo viro, amantissimo q : suo sobrino Jacobo Usserio, dignissimo in nostra Academia Theologiae Professori Salutem.

Duas fulgentes & insignes Stellas (vir ornatissime) firmamento nostræ Ecclesiæ nuper decessisse cimmeriae et horrendae, quibus miserrima hæc Insula, et in occasum vergens Academia involvuntur, tenebrae promulgant; ad quas dispellandas te fulgenti scientiarum splendore omnibus praelucentem, admirabili morum candore corruscantem, summoq: honore coronatum Deus elegit ut studiorum tuorum habenas, ad emolumentum nostrae Ecclesiae Babylonica superstitione infestae, ad salutem Patriae mentis cæcitate laborantis, & ad dignitatem Academiae in praecipitem ruinam irruentis, expedite flectas. Miseris succurrere te didicisse, ter nobilis illa pugna nunquam satis laudanda nuper cum superba, et septemplici Romanae gentis Hydra, sub Christi vexillo inita, pro maturata ætate, ac illibatâ despectae Ecclesiae castitate, palam testatur quam pene oblivio, vel potius cruenta tyrannorum rabies etiam spirantem absorbuit & sepelivit. Perpetuas hujus peregrinationes, duraq: exitia terribilem Draconis faciem fugientis, ab ultimâ auti-

quitate, quâ in cunabulis fuerat, ad nostra fere tempora vivis coloribus depinxisti. Nunc igitur facessant nostris finibus mendaces Romanae Synagogæ Cretenses, quos olim abyssus turmatius evomuit, facessant (inquam) non sine hac novitate, quâ perfidam, et obscœnam Babyloniæ meretricem Salutent; ferreo tui ingenii ariete Antichristiani regni fundamenta concussa, vel potius convulsa novâ restauratione indigere; veram Christi sponsam demum tenebrosis umbris extulisse caput; teq: istius gravissimae controversiae et contentionis palmam reportasse. Hinc omnes, quos liber tuus, variâ sane lectione et doctrinâ perpolitus, vel saltem ejus fama a limine salutavit, uno ore te solum in hac materià Apollinis lyram attigisse, constanter perhibent : hoc idem insignis tua fama astipulatur quae nullam Europae partem insalutatam reliquit, idem industriæ et ingenii tui fætus, quem omnes avidè arripiunt, summoque prosequuntur amore. Filium equidem parentis causà omnes favent, parentem filii gratiâ omnes admirantur. Sic cunctos te cum admiratione amare cunctosq : te cum amore admirari facile percipias. Immortales Deo gratias, propterea quod te per devios antiquorum campos vagantem in penetralia suæ veritatis deduxit, benignitatis suæ Thesauros tibi apperuit, teq : patriæ incolumem patriamq, tibi restituit; tibique (amantissime sobrine) justissimas habeo gratias, quas me tibi diu debuisse immensa tua erga me gratia comprobat, cujus tuum cubiculum mihi creditum minimam non esse tesseram ingenuè fateor.

Sed ne chartacea hæc Salutatio te gravissimorum negotiorum mole obrutum, molestiâ afficiat, vela contraham, hoc interim abste flagitarem, & hoc audaciae meæ symbolum, pariter que amoris, serena humanitatis fronte accipias:

Tuae Salutis felicitatis studiosus,

Rob. Ufferius.

Ad obscænam meretricem septem insidentem Montibus, de tuo libro Carmen.

Frigore cur pavido trepidas Babylonica Thais,

Cur trepidæ prebes turpia terga fugœ? Fluctibus Hesperiis emergit lucida stella,

Quâ Veniente iugis, quâq : Oriente cadis. Purpuream lucem vitat caligo profunda,

Dagon Sic arcam concidit ante Dei.

Hoc radiante patent cunctis geintura nefanda,

Gorgoneusq : tuus partus aterq : parens. Mordaces anni, violataq : fædera lecti,

Et stygio soboles carcere spurca fuens.

Fulgenti nuper cecidit tua gloria cœlo,

Nunc eadem terris in loca nigra cadit.

#### MISCELLANEA.

From the Appendix to 20th Report of the Deputy Keeper of Public Records in Ireland—

p. 89. "290 (253). Will of Robert, son of John Passavaunt, junior, clerk, made 6 May, 1439, diocese of Dublin, enumerates his goods—and the debts due him by *Arland Usshere*, merchant, &c.; also the debts due by him, vizt.: To *Arland Usher*, merchant, &c. Proved 31 May, 1439."

p. 114. "426. William Hassard, late prior of Christ Church, having resigned during a suit between him and Walter Kerdyff of Shallon, regarding the lands of Muche Cabbraghe, Co. Dublin, the convent of Christ Church and Walter agreed to abide the award of Gerald Aylmer, Chief Justice of the King's Benches, and Patrick Fynglas, Chief Baron of the Exchequer. *Master Arland Ussher* and Thomas Stephyns having given their bond that the Prior and Convent should abide this award, George, Archbishop of Dublin, undertakes that the new Prior shall bind himself to award and release the said *Arland* and Thomas. Dated Trinity Term, 29 Henry VIII., 1537."

Pedigree from T.C.D., MS. F. 4, 88, showing intermarriages of Ussher and Sedgrave families-

"Ric. Sedgrave, de Killeglan, m. . . . and had issue: I. Patr. de Killeglan m. . . and had I. Anna, m. 1st, Jo. Scorlocke de Ratheridan, d. s. p.; m. 2ndly, Jac. Taylor de Swords, and had Rich. and Janet. II. Rich., m. Eliz. Dowdall, and had Patrick, m. Joa Begg, and had issue, 1. Anna, m. Symon Barnwall de Kilbrew. 2. Richard de Killeglan, m. 1st, Alsona Dowdall; m. 2ndly, Jenet f. Jac. Garland mil de Kilencoole. 3. Katherine, m. Robt. Usher, Aldn. III. Walt. de Drog. and Dub., m. . . . IV. Jac. m. Eliz. f. Barnwall de Kilbrew, and had Kath. m. Rich. Finglas de Westpoleston. II. Rich. de Balebye, m. Anna Begge, and had I. Clemente de Boranstown, m. Kath. f. Rog. Duffe, and had Rich. m. Alson f. Wm. Conran and Maud Wycombe. II. Maud, m. Tho. Hackett de Sutton, and had Michael, who m. f. Tailour de Portmarnock, and had Thomas, m. f. Caddell. III. Jo. de Ballybaghal, m. Genet Dongan, and had Rich. and Kath. IV. Wm. m. . . . and had Xpr. f. and h. who m. 1st, Alson f. Humfreys, Ald., Dub. and Bixford, and had issue: Walter, Mayor, Dub., 1588, m. Ellenor f. Barth Balle, and had John, James and 3 dr<sup>s</sup>.; Xpr., m. 2ndly, Anna Fian, and had Richd.

The Prerog. will of Amy Usher als. Nolan, pr. 1634, mentions her sons-in-law, Andrew Clarke and Chr. Field, her cosin, Marie Meagenesie, dr. Cathelin Mapas als. Clarke, and dr. Mary Mapas, son George Mapas, son Nicholas, dr. Margaret Mapas, dr. Elizabeth, dr. Nell Mapas, br. Sir Wm. Bushopp, sister Mary Usher, sister Susan Usher als. Clarke, sister Mary Kennedy, uncle Matt. May (mea).

The Dub. will of Dennie Usher of Dublin, glover, to be bur. in St. James'. Wife Eliz., dr. Anne, dr. Mary, grandson Dennie Hendrick, cozens Thos., and Wm. Usher and their sister. He died 7th Nov., 1676.

Kildare M.L. of John Usher and Katherine Mooney, 8th Feb., 1683.

Dub. gr. admon. goods of Wm. Usher, surgeon, of Dub., to John Usher, his brother, 1739, 18th June.

Admon. goods (Prerog.) of Thos. Usher, late of Dub., gent., bachelor, decd., without father or mother alive, to John his br., 31st March, 1790.

Pedigree of the Usshers of Magheralin, Co. Down, drawn up from the Par. Regrs., Wills and Deeds. They were probably descended from Bishop Robert Ussher, and were engaged in the linen manufacture.

"Edward Usher of Maralin, d. 1715, bd. at Donaghelony, signed Vestry Book, Maralin, 1698, 1703-9, m. . . . and had issue : I. Thomas Usher of Ballymemeane, d. 1729, m. . . . d. 1708, and had issue : 1. John Usher of Coagh, gent., born 1692, w. pr. 1765, m. Margt., d. 1773, and had 1. Anne, born 1716, living 1765. 2. Jane, born 1718, living 1765. 3. Thomas, born 1719, buried 1719. 4. Montague, of Phrapper's Lane, Dub., born 1720, w. pr. 1720, freeman Dub., 1749, m. 1749, Jane Usher. 5. Ellinor, born 1723, d. 1736. 6. John, born 1728. 7. Wm., born 1732, of Coagh, d. 1795. 8. Margt., born 1734. 9. Thomas of Lurgan, born 1735, alive 1765, m. Isabella, w. pr. 1826, and had Barbara, Jane, and a dr., m. Peter Kilkenny, also Thos., who had issue, Thos. 10. Ellinor. 11. Henry, to whom his father bequeathed his silver-mounted sword in 1765. II. Wm., born 1694, m. . . . and had Ellinor, born 1721 and Henry, born 1723. III. Mary, m. James Charlton, 1700. IV. a dr., born 1697. v. Alice, born 1700. VI. Henry, born 1702, m. Sarah, and had issue: 1. Thos., d. 1737. 2. Elizth., born 1738. 3. Alice, born 1740. 4. Sarah, 1742. 5. Chas., born 1744. 6. Jane, born 1746. 7. Eleanor, born 1747. 8. Henry, born 1750. 9. A dr., born 1753. II. John Ussher, gent, of Edenballycogill, m. . . . and had issue : 1. A dr., 1694. IL A dr., 1695. 111. Helen, born 1697. 1v. A son, born 1699. v. Joseph, born 1702, d. 1777. III. Edward Ussher, Diaper Weaver, m. Margt., dr. of Thos. Parkinson, and d. 1732, leaving issue : 1. A child, d. 1693. 11. Edward, born 1690, m. . . .

and had Margt. 111. A dr., born 1699. IV. James, born 1700, of Dromo, m. Rose, dr. of Matthew Stothard of Dromore (whose sister Penelope, m. William Jellett, and another sister m. Wm. Close), and had issue: 1. Jane, d. 1721. 2. Mathew, born 1723. 3. Mary, born 1725. 4. Jane, born 1726. A John Usher of this family settled at Aghalee, Co. Antrim, died 1757, leaving wife Ann, sons John, Edward and Robert, Thos. and Abraham both went to America, drs. Margt. Close, Jane Wolfenden, Ann Usher and Eliz. Blizard. Mrs. Usher, widow, d. 1778. Some of their descendants are still in Belfast."

Statement of his family received from Mr. Francis J. Usher of Dolphin Villa, S. Circular Road, Dublin :---

"Thomas Usher of Lord Drogheda's Horse, born abt. 1724, had issue : Robert Usher, born 1754, of Sallymount, near Arklow, in 1798, died, aged 96, in 1850, leaving issue : I. Thomas Usher, died aged 86, 24 April, 1882, m. Elizabeth Sparks, and had issue. 1. Francis J. Usher. 2. Robert Usher of Boyne View, Drogheda. 3. Edmond, settled at the Cape. II. Robt. III. Wm. went to Australia. IV. John."

1766. "In Molesworth Street, suddenly, Wm. Usher, Esq., M.D."
1768. Feb. "Mr. Butler, Jeweller, to Miss Usher of the Little Green, Dublin."
1771. Oct. "Mr. Wm. Howard of Smithfield to Miss Usher of Birr."

[Faulkner's Journal.]

Inscription on chalice now in Ballarat, in possession of J. F. Usher, M.D.— "A present from Mrs. Usher, Gurteen, to her sister, Mrs. Keating, 1813." Inscription in old cemetery, Ballarat—"Sacred to the memory of the beloved children of Joseph Francis and Margaret Usher, Edmund, born 7th Jany., died same day; Monica Ruth, born 29th June, 1859, died 11th Nov., 1874. May their souls rest in peace."

Inscription in Chancel of St. Audoen's Church, Dublin—" Arms of Mapas impaled with Usher." Here under lieth the body of Robert Mapas of Dublin, merchant, son to Walter Mapas of Dundalk, gentleman. The said Robert deceased the Sth of Jan., 1618. Amye Usher, wife to the said Robert, caused this mcnument to be made in her life time for him and his posterity; the said Amye died the of and

There is also an Usher tombstone in Killanne Churchyard, Co. Wexford.

#### Additional Entries of Ussher from Dublin Parish Registers.

Mrs. Ussher, buried St. Anne's, Feb. 14th, 1764.

John Rowan and Eliza Anne Usher, St. Anne's, m. March 26th, 1780.

Bridget Usher, bur. St. Anne's, Sept. 10th, 1802.

Eleanor Usher, bur. St. Anne's, Oct. 29th, 1802.

Elizabeth Usher, bur. St. Anne's, Sept. 12th, 1800.

Ellen Usher, bur. St. Anne's, Aug. 5th, 1801.

John Usher, bur. Oct. 23rd, 1772.

John Usher, bur. Sept. 11th, 1782.

Thomas Usher, bur. Aug. 27th, 1776.

Thomas Usher and Letitia M'Evoy, by banns, m. Jan. 22nd, 1816.

Catherine, dr. of Thos. and Letitia Usher, bapt. Dec. 8th (born 4th), 1815.

Thomas, son of Thos. and Letitia Usher, (born 6th), bapt. March 25th, 1810.

Elizabeth Usher, bur. Sept. 21st, 1811, St. Mark's.

John, son of John and Mary Usher, bapt. 24th Sept., 1837, St. Mary's.

Christopher Usher, bur. 27th March, 1742.

Extracts from Dublin Evening Mail, Vol. I.-XI. made by H. L. TOTTENHAM, Esq.

1831. MABRIAGES.—Usher, Francis, of Guilford, Co. Westmeath, Esq., Maria Robinson, 2nd dr. of Wm. R., of Anne Villa, Co. W'meath, Esq., m. 29th June.

Thomas Ussher, of Monkstown Cottage, Esq., 4th son of Rev. C. H. Ussher, and Miss Eliza Moore, of Ramelton, Co. Donegal, 11th May.

Christopher Musgrave Ussher, of Camphire, Esq., and Eleanor, eldest dr. of the late Thomas O'Grady, Esq., Surveyor-Genl., m. at Cove, 16 Dec., 1833.

BIRTHS.-Lady of Capt. R. B. Ussher, in Merrion Avenue, a dau., 21st Aug., 1831.

, , in Charlemont Place, a son, 10th Jan., 1833.

DEATHS.—Catherine, widow of Rev. Hemsworth Usher, at Guilford, Co. W'meath, 18th Aug., 1833.

Francis, at North King Str., aged 71, 25th Jan., 1833.

Hannah Mihill, wife of Rev. Wm. Conyngham Usher and dr. of Nathl. Hoimes of Derby, Esq., where she died, 27th June, 1832.

Ussher, Margaret, widow of Dr. Harry Ussher, S.F.T.C.D., Andrew's Professor of Astronomy, T.C.D., died at Monkstown, 3rd Jan., 1826.

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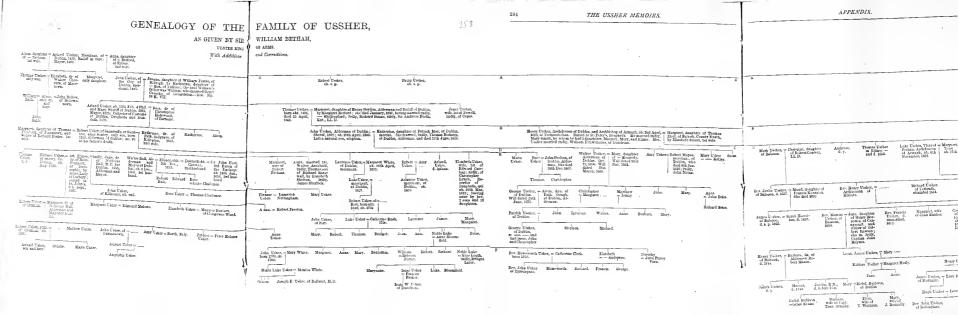
Beverly Usher, Esq., and Mary Lysaght, of St. Peter's, spr., 26th March, 1733.

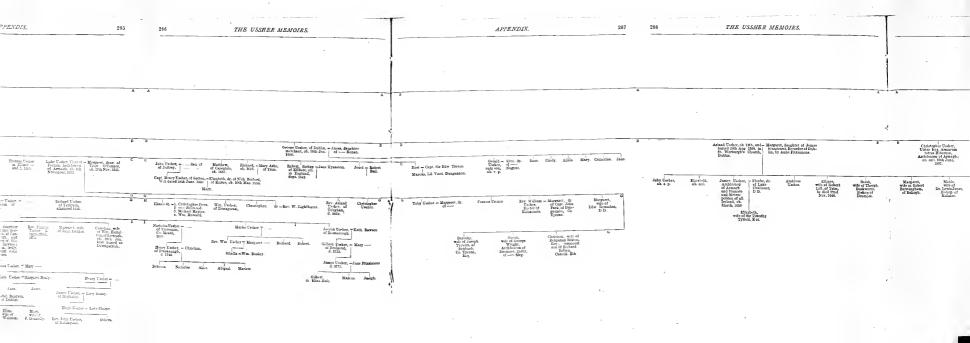
Rev. Robt. Edgeworth, of Dub., and Martha Usher, of St. Ann's, spr., 21st May, 1739 Richard Sparks of Dub., gentleman, and Catherine Usher, of St. Bridget's, 22nd Oct., 1793.

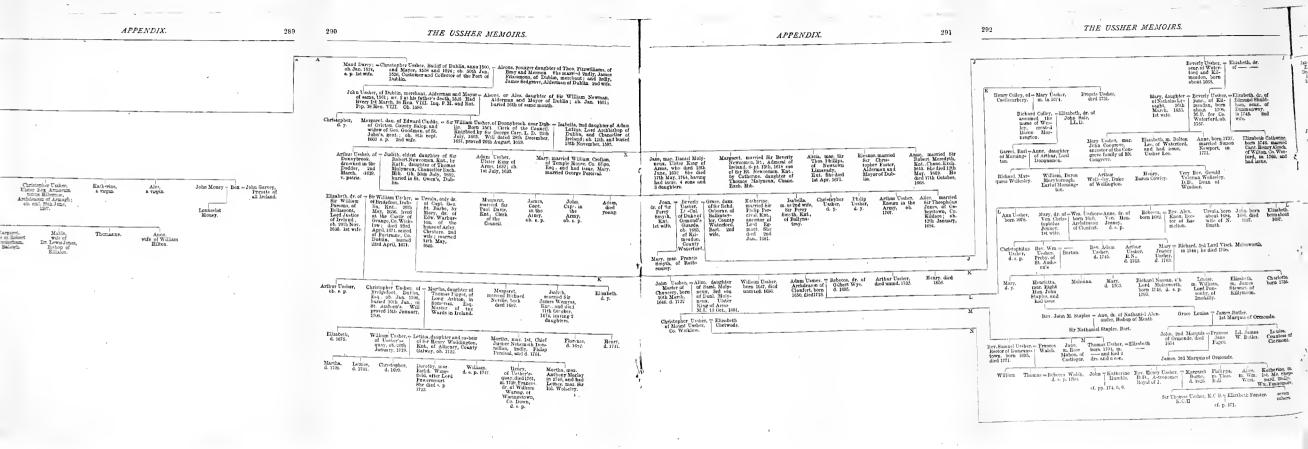
John Despard, of the Queen's Co., Esq., and Ellinor Usher, of Clonturk, widow, 16th Feb., 1738.

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Anthony Marlay, Esq., and Martha Usher, of St. Audoen's, spr., 25th Oct., 1740. Richard Baldwin, Esq., and Mary Usher, spr., of St. Bridget's, 7th Oct., 1734.







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Page 4, line 2, for "Hustard" read "Huskard"; p 5, note, for "Ostarius" read "Ostiarius"; p. 6, line 5, for "I. Thomas" read "II. Thomas"; line 14. for "II. Margaret," read "I. Margaret"; p. 8, line 20, for "I." read "I. "; p. 9, lines 18 and 19, for "II. III. " read " II. III. "; line 20, for "----" read " Christopher "; p. 10, children of Richard Usher and Eleanor Plunket, for I. Robert, II. Margaret, III. 'Elizabeth, IV. a dr." read "I. Margaret, II. Elizabeth, III. a dr., IV. Robert "; p. 11, line 12, insert after "death," "In the Earl of Kildare's Rental, Lexlep. In Lexlep a castell 't XL. acr' of land at a trme IIIJ mrks set to Robert Vsshr, Dublin "; p. 13, line 19, for "Fabia" read "Ssalia"; p. 18, line 12, after "Monica White," insert "dr. of Doctor White of Galway "; line 17, " Mary Usher m. J. L. Somers, M.D., of Roscrea, and has issue sons and drs."; p. 28, line 7, for "Mary Nulty" read "Eliz. Creagh"; lines 9 and 10, omit brackets; p. 29, line 18. for "Uffher" read "Uffher"; p. 33, lines 1 and 2, omit brackets; line 4, add "Feb. 10 at Poitiers"; p. 49, 2nd line from end, for "Smart" read "Eliot"; p. 54, note, line 2, for "Braeford" read "Bracford"; p. 60, lines 23-4-5, omit brackets and read as italic numerals; p. 62, line 6, for "Mr." read "Rev. Wm."; p. 62, line 1, etc., for "IV. Elizabeth, V. Wm., VI. Christopher" read "IV. Wm., v. Christopher, vi. Elizabeth"; p. 72, line 19, for "1667" read "1767"; p. 78, line 21, for "Mr. Lightburne" read "Rev. Wm. Lightburne, Rector of Oregan or Rosenallis, 1619"; p. 79, The order of Arland Ussher's four younger daughters ought to be (acc. T.C.D. MS., F. 4,18) "vii. Margaret, viii. Mabel, 1x. Thomasin, x. Anne. The funeral entries have a different order, but probably do not give the true order. p. 104, Lady Tyrrell's second son was John, her third son Chas., acc. Lipscombe's Hist., Bucks; p. 106, line 4, for "burd." read "bur'd."; line 17, for "Ruehanna" read "Ruehama"; p. 118, line 23, omit "Archdeacon of Clonfert"; lines 21, 22, for "(3) James (4) John " read "(3) John (4) James"; p. 119 line 7, for "Sir Chas. Forster" read "Sir Christopher Forster"; p. 134, 2nd line from end, for "Childley" read "Childley"; p. 135, line 11, the Ulster Pedigree and Burke's Gentry give as in the text, but acc. Sir Wm. Betham in Brit. Mus. Add. MS., 23,684, "Chas. Foster (who was not knighted), son of Richd. and nephew of Sir Christopher, m. 1st, Elizabeth, dr. of Thos. Huetson of Swords ; this is confirmed by the Funl. Ent. It must have been Sir Christopher who m. Eleancr Ussher; p. 160, line 7, for "Artrim "read "Antrim"; line 26, before "Mary" insert "5"; p. 168, line 16, for "VI. Samuel"

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read "IV. Samuel;" p. 170, lines 8 and 10, insert "(4) Ellis, 5) Honoria "; line 18. for "VI. Rev. Samuel" read "X. Rev. Samuel," and transpose position in reading accordingly; same page, children of John Ussher, 1. Katherine, 2. John, 3. Cornelius Henry; p. 171, line 17, for "Louis" read "Louise"; p. 171, Children of Rev. Henry Ussher, D.D., 1. Frances, 2. Margaret, 3. Sarah, 4. Rebecca, 5. Alice Richarda, 6. Sir Thomas, 7. John, 8. Henry; p. 172, lines 5-8, for "VII., VIII., IX., X." read "VI., VII., VIII., IX."; p. 174, 5th line from end, for "Rev. Wm. Usher" read "Rev. Wm. Walsh"; p. 184, lines 11, 18, 19, for "VII., VIII., IX." read "V., VI., VII."; p. 184, lines 13-15, 16, 17 from end, for "X., XI., XII., XIII." read "XI., XII., XIII., XIV. "; p. 193, line 6, for "of Hamilton" read "of Niagara"; p. 205, line 16 for "d. unmd." read "m. Simon Newport"; p. 210, line 26, for "Anne" read "Percy"; p. 213, line 11, after "by her" insert "who was buried at Kilmeadon, Oct. 18. 1741;" p. 234, line 25, for "Murquis" read "Marquis"; p. 244, line 21, for "anthedated" read "antedated"; p. 245, line 10, "John Ussher m. Lucy Glascott, 11th June, 1811. They had issue, 1. Elizabeth, born 3rd Oct., 1812; 2. John Glascott, born 2nd June, 1814; 3. Sarah Maria, born 28th Jany., 1816; 4. Richard, born 26th Dec., 1817; 5. Lucy, born 12th May, 1819, d.y.; 6. Lucy Arabella, born 21st Novr., 1820; 7. Mary, born 5th July, 1823; 8. Susan Emily, born 6th May, 1825; 9. Charlotte, born 27th July, 1827; 10. William Neville, born 30th Novr., 1829; 11. Arthur Beverly, born 22nd May, 1831; 12. Isabella Harriet, born 31st May, 1836." Same page, lines 27 and 28, correct thus-"(1) Wm. Neville Grant, (2) Maryanne, (3) Isabella Grant, d.y., (4) Lucy Glascott, d.y., (5) Charlotte Thomasina, (6) Sarah Octavia"; p. 247, line 3, To "Elizabeth Jackson Greer," add "m. Col. Lowry, Rockdale, Dungannon, and d. 1888 "; line 7, after "Goff" read ("The name is found as Goff, Goffe and Gough; the family had an ancestor in 1649, who, in the death warrant of Chas. I. spelt his name as Goff.") Same page, line 8, "(1) Wm. Goff Davis Goff, born 12th Sept., 1838, m. 4th April, 1866, Anna Maria, dr. of Michael Dobbyn Hassard, M.P., late of Glenville, Waterford, and has issue-[1] Herbert Wm., born 20th Oct., 1870; [2] Wm. Ernest, born 9th June, 1872; (2) Ussher Davis Goff, born 2nd Feb., 1841, d. 16th July, 1858; (3) Chas. Edw. Goff, born 30th Mar., 1844, d. 24th Aug., 1879; (4) Francis Davis Goff, born 24th July, 1850; (5) Margaretta Ussher Davis Goff, m. 14th Nov., 1872, Wm. M. Gibbon, of Templeshelin, Co. Wexford; (6) Julia Anna Davis Goff, m. 1st Sept., 1865, Joseph Wm. Deane of Longraigue; (7) Rebecca, m. 5th March, 1883, Rev. H. A. Stern, D.D. (one of the Abyssinian captives); (8) Lucy Ussher, m. 9th Nov., 1881, Chas. Scott Kilner, M.B., Bury St. Edmunds." Same page, line 12, for "of Howth," read "of Rhone Hill; (2) Edmund Greer of Howth"; p. 294, for "Thos. Brush," read "Richd. Brush."

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